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REDS CROSS INTO KWANGTUNG

Crossing Made After Capture Of Nankang ENTER FOOCHOW SUBURBS

Canton, August 16.

Communist forces have crossed on the Kiangsi border into Kwangtung, according to usually reliable foreign reports reaching Canton this morning.

Reds Will Allow APL Liner To Enter Shanghai

Shanghai, August 16.

Communist authorities today granted the American President Lines permission to enter Shanghai as a repatriation ship.

Mr. Floyd Downs, Manager of the APL office here, said the company and the United States State Department had asked the Chinese Nationalists for safe conduct through their blockade of the Communist coast but no answer has been received from Canton.

The liner probably will bring some cargo into Shanghai but her main purpose will be to evacuate some 1,500 foreigners, most of them Americans and British.

News of the Communist action speeded up applications for foreigners to get out of Shanghai.—Associated Press.

Nationalist Reports On Red Leaders

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, August 16.

The Military News Agency, organ of the Ministry of Defense, gets the credit for reliable reports from the front, as it often reports defeats of the Nationalists days ahead of the Communist radio in Peiping.

The government agency has branched out to cover activities of top Communist leader in Peiping and Shanghai. One of its reports said that General Chen Yi, mayor of Shanghai, has taken a beautiful and well known actress as his latest concubine.

General Liu Po-cheng, one-eyed mayor of Nanking, was displaced with the polygamy of his brother officer and denounced his degeneration, said the Military News Agency.

The latest scoop is the death of No. 1 Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung in Peiping. The announcement came from Lieut. General Chiang Ting, deputy military spokesman and one of the directors of the Military News Agency. Mao is reported to have died of tuberculosis on July 15.

There is no direct denial by Communist sources, but only this morning the Peiping Radio quoted Mao Tse-tung as announcing Peiping as the capital of China. Mao also sent congratulatory telegrams to meetings of Communist in Europe.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (5 p.m. HKST) the typhoon is centred over the NW tip of Kiangsi and is moving NW at 10 knots. From it an active trough extends along the China coast to Tonkin. Pressure is high over the Pacific and a very feeble anticyclone covers NW China.

Today's Forecast—Light variable or SW winds. Unsettled heavy squally and thundery showers at times.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 87.5 deg. F. Minimum 78.0 deg. F. Rainfall: 4.1 hours.

Jan. 1—100.0 mm. Total since Jan. 1—100.0 mm. 100.0 mm. as against an average of 100.0 mm. 60.1 in.

No details are available, but presumably advance units of General Liu Po-cheng's forces made this crossing.

Earlier these troops occupied Nankang, South West of Kanchow and were striking down the main highway leading towards Kwangtung.

Chinese press reports here this morning said that the Kwangtung authorities were rushing reinforcements. In South East China, the Communists have pushed nearer to Fochow.

Gunfire was audible in that city. A dusk to dawn curfew has been enforced in Fochow.

The Communists have occupied Mingchen at the mouth of the Min river, disrupting shipping between Fochow and the coast.

The Fukien Provincial Government has been transferred to Pingtan Island.

Communist General Lin Piao's forces made a swift advance during the past 24 hours in Eastern Hunan and have reached the Nei River, near Nanyang, 40 miles North of Hengyang. It was reliably learned today.

Military observers here said that Lin Piao's troops are trying to run a circle round Hengyang in order to surround General Pao Chung-hai's central China headquarters.

A government military spokesman said that Lin Piao's troops had occupied Yushan, 50 miles East of Hengyang and have advanced to the Nei River near Nanyang, 230 miles North of Canton.

Another part of Lin Piao's forces is still engaging in heavy fighting with the Nationalists at Hengshan, 55 miles North of Hengyang. The spokesman said today that Kanchow was occupied by Liu Po-cheng's forces.

He said he had no information regarding the reports that Communist forces have reached the Kiangsi-Kwangtung border regions. He added that another two towns in Fukien, Minghsing and Loyuan, 24 miles North and 28 miles West of Fochow respectively were occupied by the Communists.

The Chinese Reds have pushed into the suburbs of Fochow and the Nationalist military headquarters have been moved from Fochow to Pingtan Island, South East coast city, unofficial reports said today.

Fochow has not yet been evacuated and fighting described as "serious" was reported underway. Gendarmes have been called out to maintain order.

At Hengshan, North East of Hengyang, the Chinese Communist 40th army attacking a railway station was reported halted by bombers and fighters which raided artillery concentrations.

General Liu Po-cheng's 39th army aided by local Reds was reported assaulting Shinyang from Sihwa. Northbound railway traffic was said to have been halted at Hengyang.

Presaging a possible withdrawal of General Pao Chung-hai's main forces from Hengyang was the order by General Pao to clear and keep clear the railway from Hengyang to Kwellin.

Kan was reported under assault from the South and other Red columns were moving toward Tzu to the South West from where the Reds could cross into Kwangtung.

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Private despatches said that Kanchow fell into the hands of the Communist troops on August 14, reports the "China Mail" correspondent in Canton.

The Communist Radio in Peiping this morning reported the capture of Yu-hsien in East Hunan about 40 miles East of Hengyang.

Royalty At Palace Garden Party



The King and Queen (right) lead (left to right) Queen Mary, Princess Margaret and Princess Elizabeth, followed by the Duke of Edinburgh, through the guests during the garden party at Buckingham Palace.—AP Photo.

CNAC WORKSHOPS SEIZED Services Suspended Following Action By Government

The China National Aviation Corporation's workshops on the North side of Kai Tak airport were seized by the Hong Kong Government late yesterday following the announcement of new Emergency (Requisition) Regulations. As a result of this action, Mr. F. Y. Ho, Manager of CNAC's Hong Kong office, announced last night the complete suspension of all operations, including passenger and cargo services with the exception of one flight to the U.S. beginning today.

Mr. Ho said that without the engine workshop, it is impossible for the company to operate. He said no plans have yet been made for dealing with the personnel problem. It is also unlikely that the company would move to Taiwan, he added.

"It looks as if we will have to close down," he commented.

The Emergency (Requisition) Regulations provide that once a requisition order is made no legal proceedings to obtain enforcement of any injunction or order of a court made previously shall be entertained by any court.

The Chinese aviation company obtained an injunction from the Supreme Court on Saturday to restrain any person from occupying their workshop which had been officially requisitioned by the Government.

CNAC was ordered to move its workshops elsewhere in July. The sites, according to official statements, were required for the Royal Air Force.

London Talks
CNAC decided to take the matter to high levels. A representative was sent to London to negotiate for the revoking of the order through the Chinese Ambassador in London.

"The Emergency" (Requisition) Regulations also gives the Competent Authority power to seize property or otherwise dispose of any property taken over by him. He also has authority to pull down buildings and build on land taken over under the regulations.

CNAC is the oldest and biggest Chinese aviation company. American interests hold a considerable number of shares in the company. Shortly before the fall of Shanghai, CNAC obtained Hong Kong Government's approval to move its installation to the Colony. The company also secured a five year contract to land on the North side of the airport. On this land a number of workshops have been constructed including the vital engine workshop.

Charging that the Hong Kong Government had caused the CNAC to suspend their service, Mr. Ho said that the suspension of the workshop was a number of months of the Chinese National Government from Canton to Shanghai as the CNAC is chartered to carry out the programme.

Police Took Over
At about 4 p.m. yesterday more than 50 police officers arrived at the workshop and seized the engine workshop.

Soviet Envoy In Belgrade Recalled

Belgrade, August 16.

Russia has recalled her Ambassador to Yugoslavia, it was announced today, but a Soviet spokesman denied his country would break diplomatic relations with Marshal Tito.

The spokesman, Mr. P. Snjukov, said a new envoy would be named to replace Ambassador Anatoli Lavrentiev, 46-year-old Soviet career diplomat who has been promoted to deputy Soviet Foreign Minister.

Mr. Snjukov, Counselor of the Soviet Embassy and acting Ambassador, said Mr. Lavrentiev was already in Moscow and has assumed his new post under the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vishinsky.

Mr. Snjukov's assertion that the Kremlin would send an ambassador to Yugoslavia contradicted a universal belief among veteran diplomatic observers here that Mr. Lavrentiev's promotion was a soundabout way of cutting diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia.

Before Mr. Snjukov made his statement, observers speculated that the Soviet Union was preparing for "graver action" against Marshal Tito.

Mr. Snjukov said Mr. Lavrentiev had left Belgrade for Moscow "some weeks ago." He said the ambassador had been ill as a result of an inflammation in his back.

Asked whether Mr. Lavrentiev would be replaced, he replied: "Why not? It is absolutely necessary."—United Press.

TYPHOON "JUDITH"

Tokyo, August 16.

Typhoon "Judith" passed out into the Japan Sea toward Korea this morning but heavy rains, which it brought, were still falling in Miyazaki Prefecture, causing fears of fresh flood damages in that region.

Weather Bureau officials predicted that it would die out in the Japan Sea.

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EDITH MOLLER RUNS BLOCKADE

Shanghai, August 16.

Agents for the coastal freighter Edith Moller announced today the vessel had successfully run the Nationalist blockade of Shanghai.

Rumours had been spread here the ship was seized off the mouth of the Yangtze by Nationalist gunboats.

The ship brought in 500 tons of cotton, chemicals and medicine two weeks ago. She took out a cargo of 500 tons of tung oil, piecegoods, bristles and mail.—Associated Press.

QUIRINO LEAVES FOR HOME

San Francisco, August 16.

Philippine President Elpidio Quirino left for home today for Honolulu en route to Manila after Pacific security talks in the United States.—Associated Press.

U.S. CONSULATE IN CANTON CLOSING DOWN

Canton, August 16.

The United States Consulate-General in Canton is to be closed and all American Consulate personnel will be evacuated, Reuter learned here today.

This does not mean that the American community will evacuate en masse, but it is likely that certain people—particularly missionaries in outlying districts—will decide to leave in view of the Consulate's decision.

The United States Embassy and United States Information Service will leave automatically.

The situation regarding American Government relief agencies is not known, but it is understood that they will also leave Canton.

Foreigners are evacuating Canton in increasing numbers.

Several British and American businessmen, together with their families, left for Hong Kong over the week-end and more are going this week.

The decision to evacuate was taken for economic reasons as official business is at a standstill.

The steepest sweep was made by the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, the biggest American firm in South China, which would have approximately 12 persons, its Chinese Manager will take over the local office.

Lighters and tugs left Canton at dawn yesterday taking out the company's lorries, cars and other equipment. A fair quantity of stocks has been left behind.

The Caltex Oil Company has cut down its staff, while Shell is sending out families of its staff and its women secretaries.

Getting Out

Most foreigners are going likewise. The earlier "stay and see it through" attitude has, as a result of subsequent events in other occupied cities, been replaced by one of "get out unless you got it stay."

There are normally 100 British subjects in Canton, the majority of whom are women.

The exodus of Chinese continues. Movements of Government personnel and archives to Chungking and Taiwan has been accelerated.

The Chinese Foreign Office on Shamen Island has been practically stripped. It is predicted here that some officials of Cabinet rank may go to Taiwan rather than to Chungking. Chungking, however, is still regarded as the likely seat of the Government in event of Communist occupation of Canton.

As preparations are being made to evacuate in most circles, the Danish East Asiatic Company today reopened its Canton branch for the first time since before the war.—Reuter.

Statement On White Paper

Canton, August 16.

Mr. George K. C. Yeh, acting Foreign Minister, issued a statement this evening as follows:

"The Chinese Government has read the White Paper on United States relations with China, issued by the Department of State.

"It is a source of satisfaction to note that the American government has come to share with the Chinese Government the two fundamental views which the Chinese Government have consistently maintained, namely:

"1. The Chinese Communists are through. Marxists and the tools of Moscow.

"2. The Soviet Union has violated both in the letter and spirit the treaty of friendship and alliance between China and the Soviet Union, concluded in 1947.

Serious Exceptions

"At the same time, the Chinese Government must declare that it takes serious exceptions to the determination of the traditional friendship between the Chinese and American peoples and in the common cause of the democracies.

"However, the Chinese Government, in consideration of its stand and obligations will state more fully, at an appropriate time its position and the relevant facts with regard to the various complex subjects dealt with in the voluminous White Paper, for the information of the Chinese and American public, so as to further the mutual understanding and the cordial relations between the two peoples."—Reuter.

PRIEST REPORTED KILLED BY REDS

Canton, August 16.

An Italian Catholic priest was killed by Communists at Luyang, East of Changsha, according to an unconfirmed report reaching here. No details were given in this report.—Reuter.

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Washington Hong Kong Photographic Exhibition, 217A, Prince's Bldg., 5.30 p.m.

Tue 11 meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

Sino-British Club Orchestra rehearsal, Public Hall of HK & Shanghai Banking Corporation, 6 p.m.

Legislative Council meeting, 2.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

The Barnstormers, European YMCA, for troops, 8 p.m.

Y's Men's Club luncheon, Hotel Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, screening of "Great Lakes" by courtesy of Canadian Trade Commissioner, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Union Church, Ladies Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.

RAF Association, luncheon, Jacobson Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

FRIDAY

HK Light Orchestra Singers' rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 7 p.m.

Japanese Delegate To YMCA Meet

The Japanese representative to the South-East Asian YMCA conference, Mr. Shige-yuki Ogata, arrived here from Tokyo yesterday on his way to Bangkok for the conference.

Mr. Ogata told the press that YMCA in Japan has been very active since the war. Now, YMCAs have been organized in practically all cities. There are about 20,000 YMCA members in Japan now, which is nearly double the membership before the war.

At this conference, which is the third of its kind, the other two being held before the war, the Japanese representative is going to suggest that the International Boys' Camp Meet be held in Japan.

Mr. Ogata said that if this meeting proves to be a success he thinks that annual meetings will be called in the future.

The other countries attending this conference include India, China, Malaya, The Philippines, Korea and China, Many European nations, the United States, Australia and New Zealand will attend the conference as observers.

Well Represented

The Japanese YMCA is well represented as Mr. Ogata had over 30 years of experience with YMCA work. The other representative is Mr. T. Konemura, secretary of Tokyo YMCA who will follow Mr. Ogata to Bangkok tomorrow.

Mr. Ogata said that he would like to meet the directors of Hong Kong YMCA when he returns from Bangkok around the beginning of September for a brief stay here.

At present Mr. Ogata is the Economic and Civil of the Hong Kong Police Department of a cotton mill in Osaka. He is also the Y's Men's Club, Japanese, Western District Governor.

Mr. Ogata graduated from Kyoto University and furthered his studies in England twenty years ago.

Objections To Thumb Prints

Chinese objection to the requirement of a thumb print, under the proposed Registration of Persons Ordinance was contained in a petition handed to Government yesterday by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Despite Government's assurance that the thumb print was merely for the safeguard of the person concerned and would be required of all Chinese, Chinese and non-Chinese, it was resisted by some as a symbol of disgrace, and there has been agitation for deletion of this provision from the Bill. It was first announced a fortnight ago.

The Bill will be for second reading in the Legislative Council this afternoon and will become law unless it is amended at the last moment.

New building projects have dropped 50 per cent during the last two months, and a further drop is expected in the months ahead, the "China Mail" learns.

The reason for this sudden slump is the general feeling of gloom now pervading the Colony as to what will happen after the Communists have occupied Canton.

Building contractors interviewed by the "China Mail" said the building trade was now on the verge of a big slump after nearly two years of boom, during which it had managed to replace most of the buildings destroyed during the war.

The housing shortage is still undeniably acute, they say, but this is due entirely to the fact that the Colony is flooded with refugees. What will happen if their position here becomes untenable in the event of, say, a blockade of Hong Kong by the Communists? A wholesale exodus back to China would inevitably follow.

The big strike and boycott of 1947-48, which were also inspired by Communists, then ruling Canton, is still fresh in the minds of most people.

Almost overnight it turned one of the Colony's biggest property booms into a headlong depression, resulting in wholesale failure among real estate owners and construction companies.

"We've gone far enough, better call a halt now before it's too late," is the general attitude of people investing in property now.

Demand For Flats

This does not mean, however, that there is already any big fall in property value, which in fact is being maintained. Demand for

newly constructed flats continue unabated, and charges for "Building Costs" (also called "Key Money") remain more or less what they were a month or two ago.

One building contractor told the "China Mail" that the owner of a block of newly completed European style flats at North Point, intended to let the flats to tenants at HK\$15,000 to HK\$20,000 each, like hot cakes at a monthly rental of HK\$550.

On the other hand, this golden harvest is not likely to continue for ever. In fact, many are of the opinion that it has had its days "so save what you can get now, or else it will be too late."

Think Twice

Many of the refugees recently arriving in the Colony, though they have the money, think twice before spending too much for a flat. "The length of my stay here is uncertain," most of them say. "Given the fact that a refugee would pay any sum for a flat to be built and handed over to them in, say, three or four months," said another contractor. "They put up all the money, and a big slice of profit besides, for the seller and ourselves."

Asked if Government requisitioning was any effect on new building programmes, our informants said it did not. Government requisitioning only houses that were completed. No doubt, it affected the value of houses already completed or about to be completed, but its effect on new building was almost nil.

"People are not building," not because they fear their houses, when completed, would be requisitioned, but because they fear a general slump, and if we are going to be blockaded, then their fear is more than justified," our informants said.

R.M. Omar Appointed Secretary Of HKFA

At yesterday's meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association, it was announced by the Chairman, Mr. J. Skinner, that Mr. R. M. Omar had been appointed as the paid full-time Secretary of the Association.

Mr. Skinner also took the opportunity of expressing his own thanks and the thanks of the Association to Mr. A. J. Hussain, who had carried out the duties of Hon. Secretary pending the appointment of a paid full-time Secretary.

Mr. Skinner further said that he would like to thank all those who had applied for this position, which had now been filled by Mr. Omar.

The question of grounds was discussed at length by the meeting and it was stressed by Mr. Skinner that once the fixtures had been arranged, no postponement would be allowed, except in exceptional circumstances.

As Mr. K.K. Ip was no longer a member of the Council, the meeting appointed Mr. J. F. Ennis to act in Mr. Ip's place on the Referees Sub-Committee.

The meeting agreed, as a gesture to the Services, consequent on a letter from the Land Forces Sports Board, that Royal Navy and Army personnel be allocated 500 seats when their respective teams are playing on the Home ground.

A letter from Saigon regarding the formation of a "South East Asian Committee of Sports" for the purpose of arranging annual football, rugby, swimming, boxing, rowing, tennis, basketball and ping pong games, was read to the meeting.

After some discussion, it was decided that the different bodies be circumscribed regarding this letter, which called for the sending of a Hong Kong delegate to Saigon on September 20.

Applications from the Western District Athletic Association and the Happy Valley Athletic Association for affiliation to the Association were also read to the meeting. It was decided that these applications be referred to the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation for necessary action.

Charity Match

A letter from the Tung Wah Hospital, which had been forwarded to the Association by Sir Mah-kam Lo, requesting that a charity soccer game be played in aid of food victims, was dealt with by the meeting.

It was decided that, in view of the decision which had previously been reached by the Council that no further charity matches other than those already provided for be played, it was not possible to comply with the request of the Tung Wah Hospital. It was also emphasized that there were many charities in Hong Kong which needed assistance and that it would, at the present juncture, be advisable to help all money in Hong Kong.

Rotarians Hear Talk On Dogs

A talk on dogs, their habits and characteristics, was given by Mr. H. M. Howell, honorary secretary of the Hong Kong Kennel Club, at the Rotary Club yesterday.

The short snout of the bulldog took shape centuries ago, said Mr. Howell, because the dog was used to fight the bull. Hanging by its teeth from the throat of its foe, the bulldog still had room to breathe.

The luxuriant eyebrows now possessed by the Scottish Terrier, kept it out of the eyes when in its original role as a small hunting dog. It dug into holes looking for fox and other vermin.

Lap dogs were purposely bred by the Greeks, not only as affectionate pets, but to small enough to be held in the ladies' laps to help keep their stomachs warm.

These and other humorous anecdotes, told by Mr. Howell about dogs, kept the audience highly amused throughout the 15-minute talk.

Defence Role

Mr. Howell ended up by saying that dogs in Hong Kong were being called upon to play their role in the Colony's defence. The Army had just asked the Hong Kong Kennel Club to assist them in procuring dogs, preferably aged one year and over, which were of a breed suitable for guard dogs.

Mr. Howell said that, of course, suitable, and he had advised the Army that members of the Kennel Club were importing now a possible better type—the Doberman Pinscher.

Among visiting Rotarians attending yesterday's weekly luncheon was Mr. Elmer W. Nelson, past president of the New York Club, who brought greetings from his home club as well as a flag.

Believes Reds Will Find It Impossible To Govern China

At a press conference yesterday, General Sun Pao-kang, leader of the Liberal Socialist Party, reaffirmed his belief that the Communists would find it impossible to govern China for any considerable period.

General Sun came to Hong Kong from Canton to clarify the aims of his party. The conference was held at the Café de Chine.

The General said that Communist successes in China were due to the fact that the Nationalist Government had been too corrupt. The successes, he said, had nothing to do with Communism as an ideal or doctrine.

General Sun said that at the present moment, his party would concentrate on the task of organising resistance behind the Communist lines. He said that when the Communist Party was first formed, it was even smaller in size and influence than his present party. Yet, today the Communists are taking over all China.

According to the General, a third party is urgently needed for China's revival, as the Nationalists had proved themselves incapable, and Communism is not suited for China.

He said that the Liberal Socialist Party aims at a politically democratic China, with such socialistic measures as those introduced in America during Roosevelt's New Deal and again put in practice by the Labour Government in England.

No Army

"The Liberal Socialist Party has no army," General Sun said, "but if we have the right solution for the people they will come to us." He cited as proof of his statement the numerous defections of the Nationalist soldiers to the Communist side.

The Liberal Socialist Party is an offshoot of the Democratic Socialist Party, which, in turn, was the result of the amalgamation of the National Socialist and Democratic Constitutional Parties.

The National Socialist Party was formed shortly after the Japanese invasion of Manchuria in 1931, when the Nationalist Government, waging a civil war, offered no resistance to the Japanese. The Democratic Constitutional Party, on the other hand, was an organ chiefly of Overseas Chinese, and had been in existence for several decades. The Liberal Socialist Party now include only those elements which do not co-operate either with the Kuomintang Government or the Communists.

Efforts To Combat Rinderpest

Approximately 50 cents (Silver) invested in a rinderpest vaccination can protect a Chinese farm family's water buffalo from the destructive animal plague that is now killing thousands of cattle throughout South China.

According to a report from the JCRH-substituted Rinderpest Control Teams in Kwangtung Province, this inexpensive process is made possible by using the blood from one rabbit inoculated with the virus to produce immunization vaccine for 500 water buffaloes.

These and other findings are the result of five months of concentrated work in 11 hsin (counties) mostly along the Canton-Hankow Railway in Kwangtung Province where the control teams have now vaccinated some 21,000 water buffaloes and other cattle.

The rinderpest control work, subsidised with a US\$178,000 grant from the Chinese and American Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction, has been done by six teams of veterinarians organized by the National South East Asiatic Prevention Bureau and the Kwangtung Provincial Epidemic Prevention Station.

Rinderpest, is China's most destructive animal disease. The disease spreads as an epidemic through an entire district. When it strikes, the "cattle cholera" frequently kills as many as half of the animals kept in the district. It is spread on for their draft power and as a result causes serious crop losses.

In 1948 more than 80 per cent of the water buffaloes in Hainan Island died of rinderpest. In Chao-yang Hsien a recent outbreak of rinderpest is reported to have killed 1,300 of the district's 2,300 water buffaloes and is still spreading.

Two veterinarians are leaving for Chao-yang early this week. In order to help combat rinderpest in Kwangtung and Szechuan the JCRH, using funds appropriated by the United States Government for rural reconstruction work in China, is also subsidizing similar programmes in these provinces. In Szechuan a mass vaccination of 7,555 cattle in seven depopulated towns. The initial vaccination programme aims to immunise all cattle in its area.



GENERAL SUN PAO KANG

Skillful Piloting Averts Mishap

The skillful piloting of his aircraft by Mr. M. Hallantine, saved the Hong Kong Airways' VR-110 DC-3 aircraft from any mishap while landing at the Kai Tak Airport yesterday.

The aircraft, the Peking, came from Canton and immediately after she touched down at the landing field her skipper discovered that her starboard brake was defective.

Mr. Hallantine taxied the DC-3 to the runway alongside the Dairy Farm Cafeteria and later let her slide onto a grass lawn just between the cafeteria and the runway. On the grass lawn the big plane eventually came to a stop.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate which should be clearly marked "Tender for Charges—Transporting Coal" will be received at the Office of the Chairman, Tender Board, Colonial Secretariat, until noon on Friday, August 26, 1949, for the delivery of Coal required by the Government Slipway, Yaumati, from the Government Coal dump, Lai Chi Kok, in lots of 200 tons in one delivery. Deliveries will be as requested during the period September 1, 1949 to August 30, 1950.

Details of the charges should be sub-divided under the following headings:—(a) loading, (b) transport and (c) unloading. This sub-division to be clearly shown in the tenders.

Tenderers must attach to each tender a deposit receipt showing that they have deposited at the Treasury, Prince's Building, the sum of \$500.00 as a pledge of the bona fides of their tenders which sum shall be forfeited to the Hong Kong Government if the successful tenderer fails or refuses to carry out his tender. The deposits will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, and reserves the right to accept all or any part of any tender.

Government reserves the right to cancel the contract at any time on one month's notice.

N. GARLAND, Acting Director of Marine.

Dated:—August 13, 1949.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB

A grand dance will be held at the K.C.C. on Saturday 20th August, 1949 from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Admission \$5.00 including light refreshments. Band of H.M.S. Jamaica in attendance by kind permission of Commanding Officer.

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An auction sale of Crown Land will be held at P.W.D. Headquarters on Monday, the 22nd day of August, 1949, at 2 p.m.

The area which comprises 13,500 square feet is situated at Tai Hang Road and is suitable for residential purposes.

Further particulars are available from the Government Gazette of 12th August, 1949 or from the Crown Lands & Survey Office.

ANDREW NICOL, Acting Director of Public Works. August 5, 1949.

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NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

Action No. 213 of 1949.

Between Giorgio Galletti, Plaintiff and Thomas Reginald Crank, Defendant

To the abovenamed Defendant, Thomas Reginald Crank.

"The Plaintiff's claim against the Defendant is for the sum of HK\$100,000 being the agreed equivalent of money lent by the Plaintiff to the Defendant on the 6th day of January, 1949.

"The Plaintiff's claim against the Defendant the sum of HK\$100,000 being the agreed equivalent of money lent by the Plaintiff to the Defendant on the 6th day of January 1949.

"Alternatively, the Plaintiff claims the said sum of HK\$100,000 under a Promissory Note dated the 6th day of January 1949 signed by the Defendant in favour of the Plaintiff.

Particulars of the above claim.

0.1.49 To money lent or money due under Promissory Note HK\$100,000.00

"In the further alternative, the Plaintiff claims the said sum of HK\$100,000 as moneys due by the Defendant to the Plaintiff on an account stated in writing between the Defendant and the Plaintiff by way of Cheque No. E.M.P.039785 dated the 6th day of February 1949 on the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, Hong Kong.

Particulars of the above claim.

0.2.49 To amount due on account stated by the said cheque signed by the Defendant. HK\$100,000.00

"And the sum of \$250.00 for costs." And that the Court has by order dated the 13th day of August, 1949, authorised service of the said writ of summons on you, by the insertion of this notice twice in the "South China Morning Post" and twice in the "China Mail."

And further take notice, that you are required to appear to the said writ of summons within eight days after the insertion of the last of the said notices in manner aforesaid, inclusive of the day of such insertion; and that in default of your so doing the Plaintiff may proceed therein, and judgment may be given in your absence.

Dated the 17th day of August, 1949.

MR. A. da SILVA, Solicitor for the Plaintiff, Gloucester Building, First Floor, Hong Kong.

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To the abovenamed Defendant, Thomas Reginald Crank.

TAKE NOTICE, that this action was, on the 24th day of May, 1949 commenced against you, and that the Plaintiff by his writ of summons claims:—

"The Plaintiff claims against the Defendant the sum of HK\$4,320 being the equivalent of US\$18,000 at rate of exchange of HK\$4.02 per US\$1.

"In respect of US\$7,000 of the said total of US\$18,000, the Plaintiff claims the same as and for money lent by the Plaintiff to the Defendant.

"The Plaintiff further claims the balance of US\$9,000 as moneys verbally agreed to be payable by the Defendant to the Plaintiff in consideration of the said loan of US\$7,000 and a first loan of US\$20,000 forming subject matter of C. J. Action No. 213 of 1949.

"Alternatively, the Plaintiff claims this further sum of US\$9,000 as on an account stated between the parties partly in writing and partly verbal thus:—

(a) As partially stated in writing by form of acknowledgment dated the 6th day of January, 1949 and signed by the Defendant;

(b) As verbally stated and varied between the parties on the 26th day of January 1949;

(c) As further stated in writing by Duplicate Receipt of the National City Bank of New York, Hong Kong, dated the 5th day of February 1949 and signed by the Defendant;

(d) As finally confirmed in writing by cable from the Defendant to the Plaintiff of the 21st day of April 1949.

Particulars of the said claim.

5.2.49 To money lent US\$7,000.00

6.1.49 To amount due on account stated US\$9,000.00

21.6.49 as set out above US\$16,000.00

"At rate of HK\$4.02 per US\$1—HK\$64,320.00

"And the sum of \$250.00 for costs", and that the Court has by order dated the 13th day of August, 1949, authorised service of the said writ of summons on you, by the insertion of this notice twice in the "South China Morning Post" and twice in the "China Mail."

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Newspaper Hawkers Fined

Two newspaper hawkers were each fined \$150 by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday for behaving in a disorderly manner.

Tong Lung, aged 17, and Tong Pak-sum, aged 18, both of 43 Nanchang Street, first floor, pleaded guilty to the charge.

The prosecution stated that a suggestion for continuation of charity for the relief of the flood disaster in China by hawking newspapers, was made by newspaper hawkers, requesting free supplies of newspapers from the publishers. This request was eventually rejected.

It was alleged that some hawkers then started to boycott the publishers by refusing to sell newspapers, and to interfere with those who hawk for them.

Interference

The prosecution further stated that about 8 a.m. August 15, defendants with several others, went to Prince Edward Road outside the Dairy Farm Company, and interfered with a newspaper hawkers who was at that time, selling newspaper there.

Defendants then went to another newspaper stall, outside the Yau Nam Tea House at Nanchang Street, persuaded the customers not to buy the papers from a hawkers, Yau Fui-chuen, and at the same time, scattered complainant's newspapers all over the place.

While complainant was making a complaint to the police on the telephone, defendants approached another newspaper stall, outside the Yau Nam Tea House, at Nanchang Street, and committed the same offence.

Defendants were later arrested when they returned to complainant's stall.

Bradley's Appointment Confirmed

Washington, August 15.

The Senate today confirmed General Omar Bradley as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and also approved President Harry Truman's choice of Mr. Archibald S. Alexander as Assistant Secretary of the Army and Mr. Tracy S. Voorhees as Under Secretary of the Army.

The confirmation of Mr. Alexander may open the way for Mr. Voorhees to make a long desired inspection trip to Japan. The Senate action supplies the War Secretary, Mr. Gordon Gray, with a high level assistant which, it was understood, Mr. Voorhees felt must be assured before he could be able to make the trip.

However, Mr. Voorhees' office said he has not yet made any definite plans for going to Japan.

The Senate also confirmed Mr. Truman's appointment of General Joseph L. Collins to succeed General Bradley as Army Chief of Staff.—Associated Press.



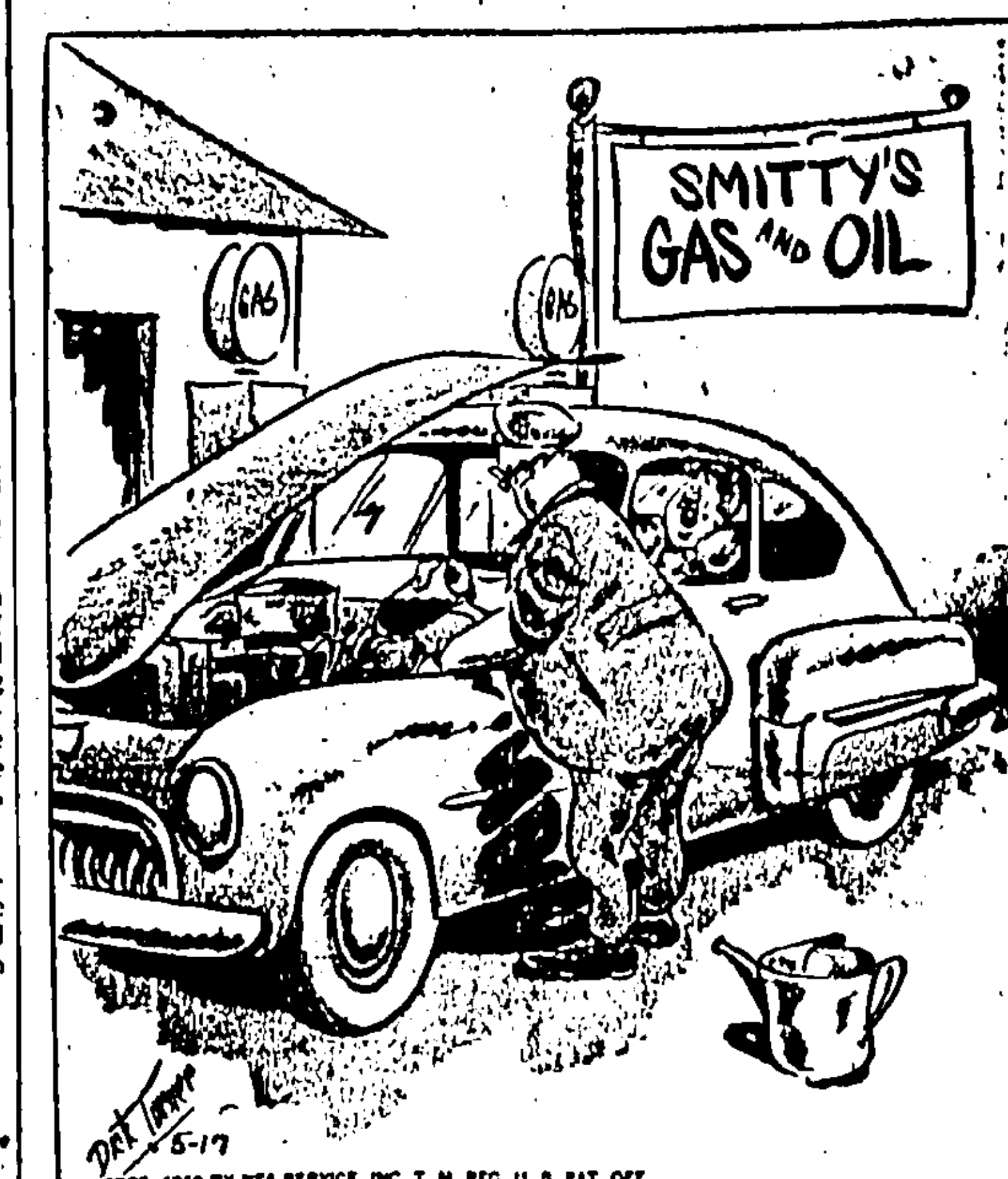
1950 HONG KONG \$ DIRECTORY NOTICE

All those who have received their entry forms for Firms, Government Offices, Schools, Churches, Clubs, Services etc. are kindly requested to reply and return them to us not later than September 15, otherwise they will be put in the Addenda Section.

All forms for new entries are also obtainable at the NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE LTD., Windsor House, Tel. 32312.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Could you put in a new wick or something so it won't burn so much oil?"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

SKIMPY TRUMPS COSTLY

A SKIMPY trump suit can be a costly adventure for the opponents happen to have held or located. It is not they get maximum opportunity to use them tellingly. It is especially painful to have one of them over-ruff one or more of our own, as they thereby have not only gained a trick by the procedure, but have knocked off card you considered a trick-taking asset.

SAKQ85
H1076
DA97
C96
J974
D854
C932
S83
H8KQ3
DKJ103
CAQ104
S102
HA852
D82
CK875

(Dealer: East. North-South vulnerable.)
East: Pass
West: Pass
North: 1S
Dbl: Pass 2D

This duplicate deal, on which some North players managed to score 110 points for making two spades, produced 150 points for the expert pair that let East try his luck at 2-Diamonds not doubled, for he was set three tricks.

Most amazing was the fact that North and South took exactly twice as many tricks with their trumps as the declarer did with his—four as against his two.

South opened the 10 of his partner's spades, North scoring his luck at 2-Diamonds and sending forth the Q and K and sending forth

the A. East ruffed with the diamond 10 and was scored. East putting on his Q so that the J won the next heart. The club J was sent through to the K and the heart 5 to the K. Now East led his diamond K to the A. When the spade 6 came back, he discarded his good club 10 and the diamond 8 ruffed. The club 5 was led to the A and East now tried to kill the last two trumps with the J, but this left North with the 7, which he then used to ruff the club Q, and East got the thirteenth trick, the spade 5 lead, with his diamond 3.

All told, the defenders took a regular trump trick with the A, plus ruffs with the Q, 8 and 7, plus two spade tricks and one trick apiece in the other two suits—to give them a total of eight, setting the declarer three. East took trump tricks with only his J and 3.

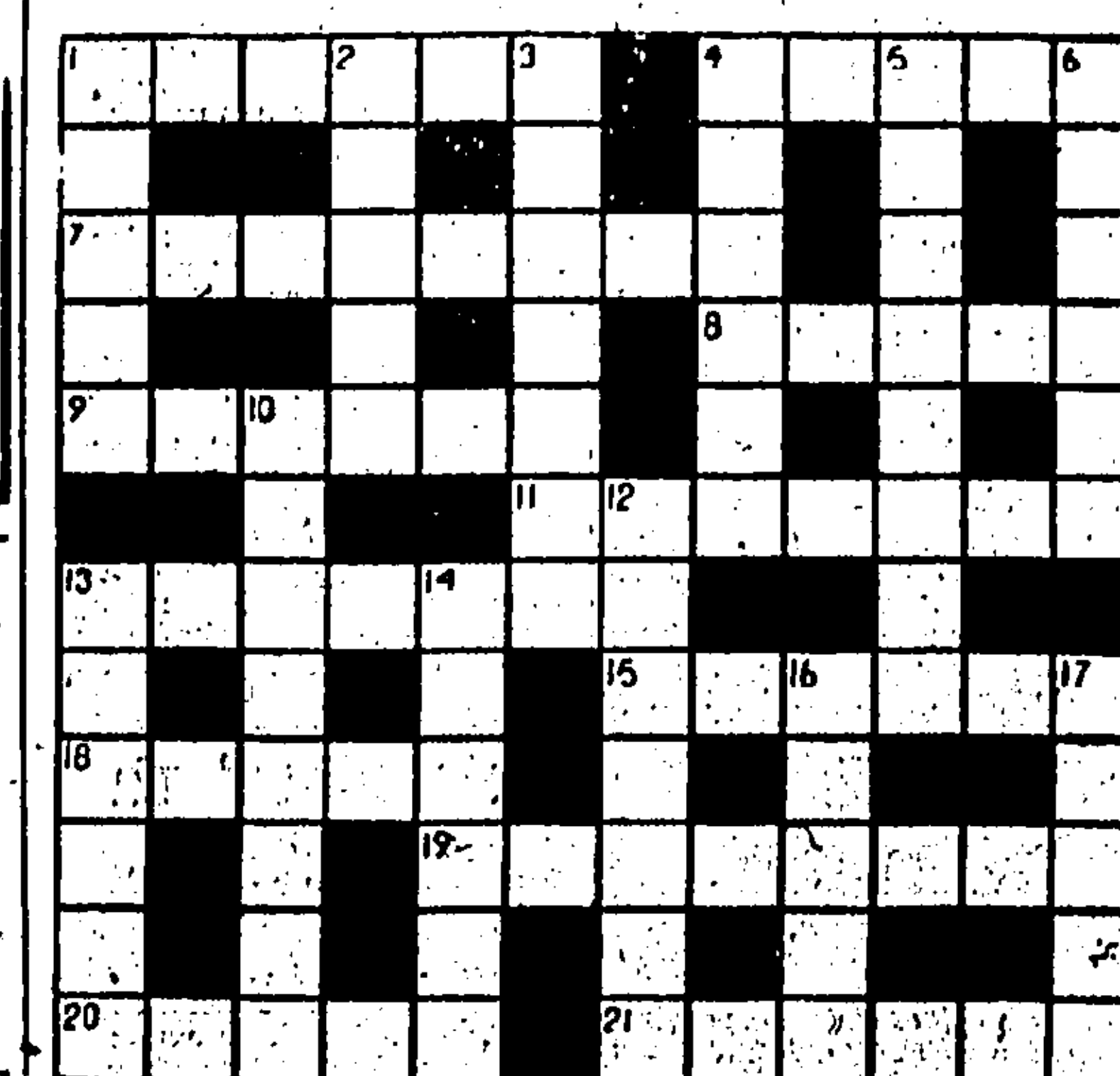
Tomorrow's Problem

S83
HAJ9632
DAJ98
CA
S10
H875
DK6543
CQJ43
S83
HAJ9632
DAJ98
CA
S10
H875
DK6543
CQJ43

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

If this hand is bid naturally and winds up in 7-hearts, what should East lead?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
1 Right of approach.
4 Hazardous.
7 Assum.
8 Fragile.
9 Menace.
11 Angered.
13 Put back.
15 Substantial.
16 Set in order.
20 Severe.
21 Plundered.

Down
1 Ward off.
2 Best part.
3 Smash.
4 Jacket.
5 Foreigner.
6 Cried out.
12 Taking neither side.
13 Hurries.
14 Decree.
16 Dance.
17 Finished.

Yesterday's Crossword
Across—1. Gnat. 4. Ransack. 5. Epic. 9. Fret. 10. Vulture. 11. Room. 12. Lido. 14. Lessee. 17. Adult. 19. Alive. 22. Talents. 25. Aird. 27. Room. 28. Cashier. 29. Sale. 30. Even. 31. Terrace. 32. Tame.

Down—3. Afield. 6. Petrol. 7. Rival. 8. Accumen. 9. Bane. 10. Carve. 12. Last. 13. Dull. 15. Ennui. 16. Shed. 18. Street. 20. Lament. 21. Victim. 23. Apart. 24. Ethic. 26. Bury.

Sixty Per Cent Of Greek Guerilla Force In Vitsi Mountains Annihilated

Athens, August 15.

General James van Fleet of the United States reported today that an estimated 60 per cent of 7,000 guerillas in the Vitsi mountain battles of North Greece last week had been annihilated. General van Fleet, head of the U. S. military mission to Greece who returned to Athens from a front line tour, said about 30 per cent of the Communist fighters had escaped following their crushing defeat. He indicated that the remaining 10 per cent were either prisoners or were putting up isolated battles along the Albanian border.

The Greek General Staff has not yet issued official casualty figures for guerillas. It is reported that the Greek troops after last week's victories, this morning, and the Vitsi operation had been reduced to occupying up pockets of resistance in mountain areas overlooking the Albanian border.

Tito's Border Closed

Scanty field reports said Marshal Tito's promise to close the Greek-Yugoslav border had apparently been carried out. No guerillas from the Vitsi fighting were reported to have fled into Yugoslavia.

Greek troops maintained pressure today in the Grammos mountain sector East of Vitsi, but have not started major drives there, Army reports said. The Grammos fighting was used by the Greek forces last week as a diversionary action to ensure a breakthrough in the Vitsi salient.

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"FOLLOW THE BOYS"

DIAMOND BELT IN CANADA?

Montreal, August 15.

Somewhere in Canada's vast Northland geologists believe there is a diamond belt worth untold millions of dollars to those who find it, and are able to work it commercially.

No single geologist will venture an opinion on the exact location of the belt. They say it could be anywhere from the Quebec-Labrador border, even farther North in the District of Franklin or West in the vast untracked snows of the North West Territories. The belt could be under the muskeg of North Ontario and Manitoba, or under the waters of Hudson Bay.

The geologists base their belief on evidence of early this century when diamonds were found in Wisconsin and Michigan. Their discovery started a mass search of the area, which turned up only a few precious stones. Geologists who studied them came to the conclusion that the diamonds were brought Southward during the Ice Age thousands of years ago along with rocks and clay. But in what direction South East, due South or South West?

For years scientists have been matching various rocks in an effort to trace the course of the glaciers that snatched everything in their path as they moved it Southward.

Some geologists maintain the glaciers moved in a South Westward direction and argue the parent diamond bed is in the region of the Quebec-Labrador border.

However, the rugged country of the North is expected to keep its secret intact until communications are more advanced there. Weather conditions would create an almost insurmountable problem for any prospective diamond prospector.

Even if the billion-dollar cache were found, the cost of taking mining equipment into the snowy wastes would be prohibitive. Extremely low temperatures would make it impossible for men to work in the mines. Transporting the diamonds if they ever were mined would depend on aviation, which more than any other form of travel is subject to weather conditions.

The eventual value of the diamond bed also would depend upon its depth under the earth—under tons of snow and ice.

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Trawler Brings Survivors Of Plane Crash

Galway, Eire, August 15.

The little British fishing trawler Stalberg arrived here this afternoon with 49 survivors of the 60 aboard the American Sky-master which crashed off the Aran Islands at the mouth of Galway Bay early this morning.

The Stalberg also carried two bodies—those of an Italian girl and an American, described as the Transocean airliner's assistant radio operator.

Earlier reports said that the Stalberg had four bodies aboard and only 46 survivors.

The Irish steamer Lanahorne was said to have six survivors aboard. The Irish would leave one person unaccounted for.

Another Italian girl—Luisina Cerabon, second stewardess aboard the aircraft—was taken to hospital from the Stalberg with serious chest injuries.—Reuter.

Accidents Not New To Aviatrix

New York, August 15.

Miss Ruth Nichols, stewardess aboard the plane which crashed off the Irish Coast today, survived many previous air crashes while winning fame as one of America's foremost women fliers.

Miss Nichols, aged 48, was injured seriously several times in the 1920's and 1930's while trying to add to the records that already had made her one of the greatest of women fliers.

But she always recovered and continued to demonstrate that airplanes were a safe and comfortable method of travel.

A native of Rye, New York, Miss Nichols was a student at Wellesley College when she quit classes to learn to fly. She received her degree in 1924 but immediately on graduation embarked on an airplane tour throughout Europe.

She made the first of her many records in 1928 when she piloted a cabin airplane from Rockaway Beach, New York, with two passengers on a 12-hour nonstop flight to Miami. It was the first such flight between the two cities.

Flight To Los Angeles
In December 1930, she made a flight from Los Angeles to New York in 18 hours 21 minutes and 48 seconds—more than one hour better than the time of Charles A. Linbergh. Although most of her women's aviation records since have been surpassed, she set an altitude record of 27,418 feet for women in 1931, woman's long distance record of 19,777 miles from Oakland, California, to Louisville, Kentucky, speed record of Detroit and woman's trans-continental mark.

Her first mishap came in Vienna on her European tour. But her first real crash occurred at St. John, New Brunswick, while taking off on a trans-Atlantic flight to Paris.

Despite her many accidents, Miss Nichols was an advocate of "safety first" in flying. She carried on for years her campaign to boost aviation as a coming means of travel.—United Press.

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Research Group's Findings On Britain's Sex Life

London, August 15.

Pre-marital and extra-marital sexual adventures are so prevalent in Britain that, among women under 20, at least 64 per cent of children are conceived out of wedlock, a report on British sex life said recently.

The Mass-Observation non-profit research group, which previously reported that the majority of Britons find sexual experience unpleasant, based its findings on interviews with 2,051 persons of all economic and social classes.

The group said it had found: Sixty-three per cent disapprove of extra-marital relationships. Fifty-five per cent approve of marriage.

Thirty per cent disapprove of divorce under any circumstances. Of the 63 per cent who think sexual relationship outside marriage are wrong, however, many admitted having had experiences and 59 out of 100 said they had married sex before they were married, the report showed.

Indicating that pre-marital sex experience was at least equally as prevalent among Britons as extra-marital experience, the re-

search group pointed to the official 1946 birth figures which showed that among women under 20: 38 per cent of the babies were conceived and born in wedlock; 30 per cent were conceived out of wedlock, but the parents later married; 28 per cent were illegitimate.

Of the 55 per cent who think marriage is a good thing, the over-whelming majority are women, the report said. It said that married women made up most of the 30 per cent who disapproved unqualifiedly of divorce.

Church Life
Again, investigators found that church life still plays an important part in Britain's moral life. Of those who were upon extra-marital sex: 71 per cent go to church at least once a week. On the other hand, 54 per cent of the persons who think there's nothing wrong with relationships outside marriage rarely go to church.

In general, the report said, Britons are inclined to view with particular tolerance persons who live together but are not married for various reasons. "Sometimes they are much happier than if they were married," said a 57-year-old housewife in what Mass-Observation called a typical statement.

Investigators found that the largest group which condoned either premarital or extra-marital adventures comprised single men. Among married couples, almost as many women thought pre-marital experience was a good thing.—United Press.

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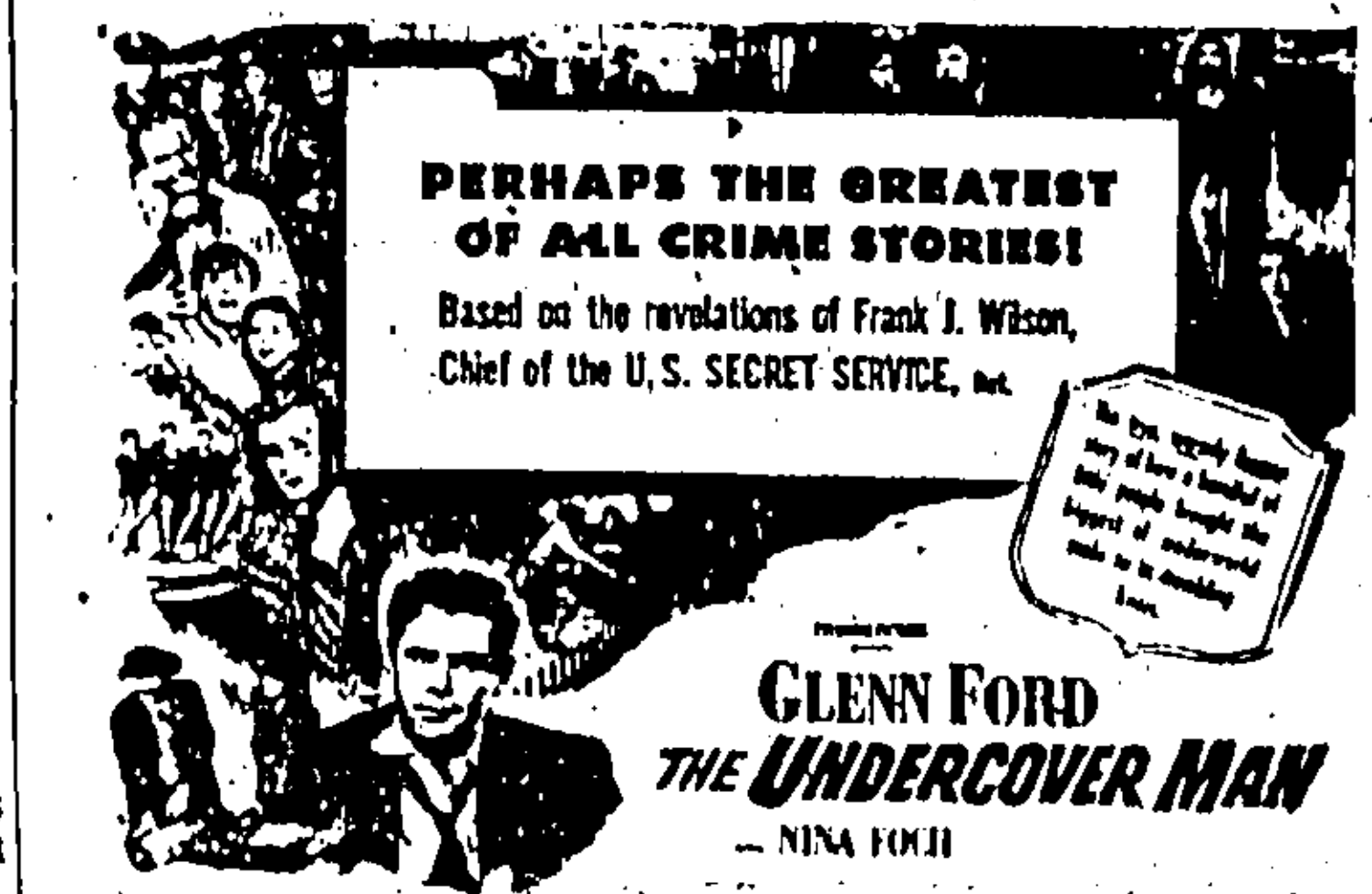
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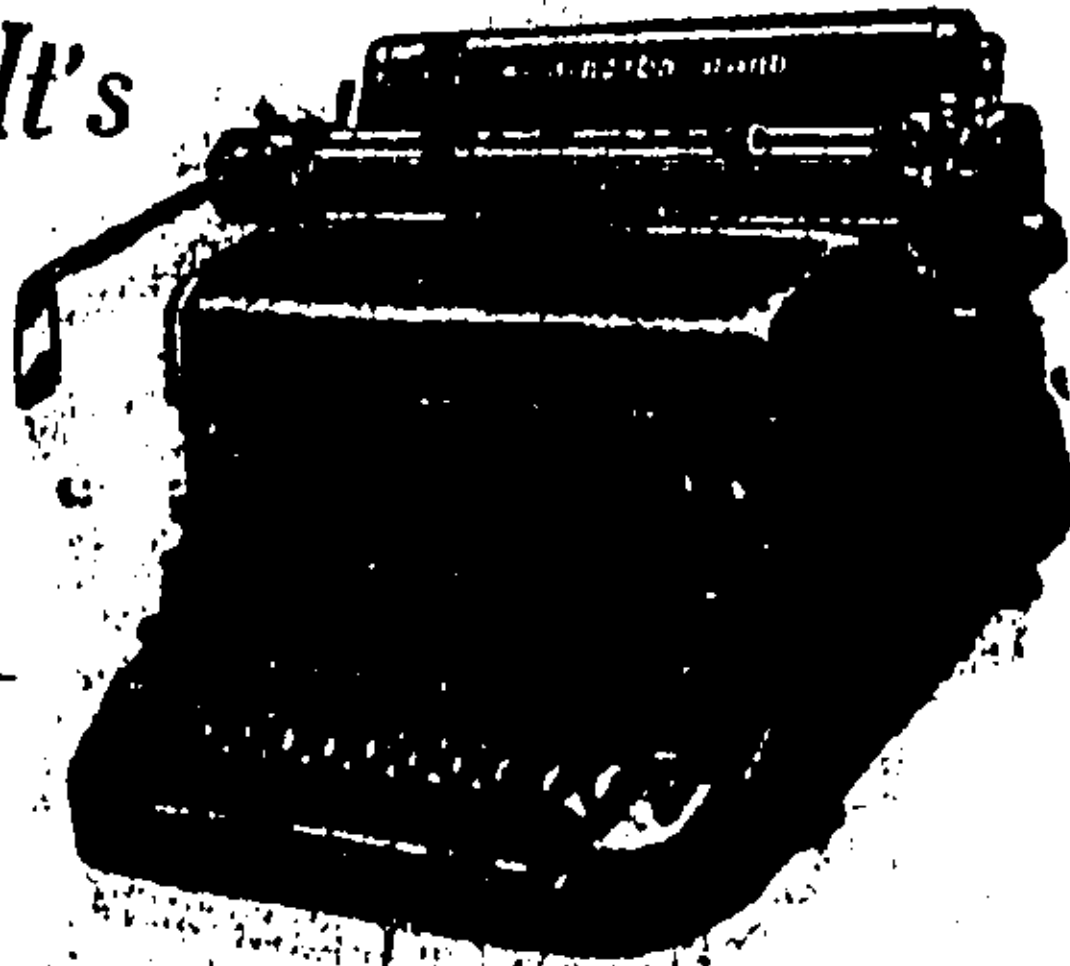


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BRITAIN TO DISCUSS SYRIAN COUP WITH UNITED STATES, FRANCE

London, August 15.

Britain is likely to discuss Sunday's military coup in Syria with the United States and France as well as with Transjordan and Iraq—before she decides on her relations with the new Syrian regime, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

There have already been preliminary talks between British and Hashemite Jordan representatives, he said.

Britain is trying to decide whether the new military regime took power constitutionally or unconstitutionally.

If she makes up her mind that the change took place unconstitutionally, she could withdraw formal diplomatic recognition of the Damascus authorities.

The Foreign Office spokesman refused direct comment on Sunday's lightning dawn arrest trial and execution of Marshal Husni Zaim and Mehson Horazi, President and Premier of Syria respectively, by a group of army officers led by Colonel Hinnawi.

He did announce though that official information of the shootings was contained in a note delivered to the British Legation by the Syrian Foreign Ministry, signed by Hinnawi himself as Commander-in-Chief of the Army, the note declared that the Armed Forces had undertaken the job of rescuing Syria from the position into which it had been led by President Zaim, the spokesman reported.

It also announced that a Supreme War Council had constituted itself and would be responsible for law and order until a constitutional government could be formed which would safeguard international obligations.

No Change In Plans

The spokesman told news conference questioners that as far as he knew, the Damascus events have not changed the plans of Abdullah, King of Hashemite Jordan, to visit Britain.

King Abdullah is due to leave Alexandria (Egypt) by air on Wednesday for Britain where he will be the guest of the British government.

He and his government were never friendly with Zaim, who on March 30 seized power in a bloodless coup.

King Abdullah is due to discuss the entire, tumbling mid-Eastern situation with British leaders. His country's relations with Syria, in particular, are expected to be given close attention.

Syrian friendship for Hashemite Jordan and Iraq—the two Hashemite kingdoms deteriorated considerably under Zaim, who rejected the Iraqi plan for the union of their three so-called 'fertile crescent' countries.

The spokesman pointed out that when changes of government take place constitutionally, the question of fresh recognition does not arise. It does come up when there are doubts about the means by which new regimes constitute themselves.

Cabinet To Prepare Constitution

Damascus, August 15.
The new Syrian Cabinet tonight announced that it would prepare a new Constitution, follow the United Nations Charter and observe International Law.

The Cabinet's policy was announced by the Prime Minister, Husein Atassi Pasha, a few hours after Colonel Hinnawi had handed over control to him.

Colonel Hinnawi then returned to his Army Headquarters where he told Reuters, "We have nothing further to do in politics."

Atassi Pasha, after a day of policy-making by his Provisional Government, said tonight, "We are a provisional Government. Our main task is to pave the way for the early election of a Constituent Assembly to prepare a new Constitution in full freedom."

"During the interim period our foreign policy will be based on the more friendly co-operation with the Arab countries and on raising the standard of the Arab League."

"Our relations with foreign Powers will be based on courtesy and friendship within the limits of our national interests, the United Nations Charter and the observation of International Law."

Colonel Hinnawi told Reuters at his Army Headquarters today that the Cabinet had all rights to draft a new Constitution and elect a new Parliament.

Chance To Rule

"We have given nationalist elements a chance to rule the country democratically and pave the way to a full understanding and co-operation between Syria and the Arab League States, as well as the West. We now withdraw entirely."

Among the first to recognise the new Syrian regime, according to reports here, were the well armed, powerful Syrian tribesmen living in the mountains between Syria and the Lebanon. They pledged their support.

Damascus was quiet today. Reports from the provinces told of the press and people welcoming the change.

Local observers thought that one of the first steps of the new Cabinet would be to clean up Communist organisations which, though outlawed in Syria, have been distributing propaganda. Members of the new Cabinet are known to be opposed to Communism.

Iraqi diplomatic sources said they hoped that the new Cabinet would break the deadlock in Iraqi-Syrian relations and help the seven member States of the Arab League to co-operate fully in strengthening the League.

Abdullah's Comment On Communism

Amman, August 15.

King Abdullah told the Associated Press today that the danger of Communism is not far away from the 1,000,000 Arab refugees who fled from Jewish rule in Israel.

"I believe the United States should bear a part of the burden of these refugees," the ruler said in an exclusive interview. "Communism follows poverty, thus destroying countries. The capitalists ought to free the necks of their poor friends of economic chains."

"The Arab world is between two dangers. Continued poverty may lead to Communism. But, if we need something from the West, we must ask for it. We need currency we do not have. Both dangers are unjust and potentially mortal."

King Abdullah, who is flying to London via Alexandria on Wednesday, said his visit to Britain was only for a holiday, "because I need a rest."

He said he has no intention of doing anything in Britain unless to uphold the relationships between the two countries and get something for the refugees—agricultural tools, irrigation materials and so forth.

Not To Visit U.S.

He said he would not visit the United States because he had not received an invitation.

Upon the invitation of the Spanish government, he will visit Spain, he said, because Russia shows the same enmity toward Franco and me—so both of us are good for our countries, for the people want us. I am going to Spain because I wish to see the person (Franco) who, with me, is so hated by the Soviets.

"Furthermore, I believe if there is a conflict with the Soviet in Europe, the Spanish Army will be the only one on the continent which will support France—and they won't wait until the Pyrenees are crossed either."

He said he felt a quick meeting of the Arab League Political Committee was essential in view



This item by French inventor "Mr. Tardif" utilizes the sun's rays for cooking purposes. The main part of the gadget is a large dish-shaped reflector in the centre of which hangs the cooking pot. The reflector follows the sun's movement by automatic control, also powered by sunlight.—Ap Photo.

Syrian Ex-President Forms Coalition Govt

Damascus, August 15.

The Syrian ex-President Husein Atassi Pasha today formed a Coalition Government to replace the regime of President Husni Zaim, executed yesterday in a coup led by army officers.

Colonel Sami Hinnawi, head of the group which seized President Zaim and Premier Muhsin Bazzi for summary trial and execution, attended the meeting which asked Atassi Pasha to form a Cabinet.

The only other military leader present was General Abdullah Outfeh, Defence Minister in the former Cabinet. He retains the post in the new Government.

Attend Meeting

Apart from Colonel Hinnawi and General Outfeh, the mid-night meeting which led to the formation of the Cabinet was attended by popular political leaders, including Emir Hassan el Atrash, Dawas chief

of the Syrian developments. He said that he considered the present set-up of the League outdated but he added that Jordan would not desert any majority decision on the League's future.

Asked about the Lausanne talks, the King said "I never thought that they would pave the way for a final settlement but were merely intended to approach the various points concerned. Now, it is said that the whole question will be taken into discussion as a unity."—Associated Press.

Other members of the new

Cabinet are: Elwan, Khaleel Azem, a former Premier; State Ministers: Abel El Azem, former Minister of the Interior, and Fathallah Uysowin, National Economy; Faydi Atassi, former Minister of Justice; Agriculture: Akram Houran, who was press adviser to President Zaim.

Justice: Sami Kabbara, Interior: Rushdi Nakya, Foreign Affairs: Nazim Kodsi, Education: Mishael Adakh, Public Works: Mejdeldine el Jabri, who held the same post before Colonel Zaim gained power.

But in Beirut it was learned that the Lebanese Premier, Riyad el Solh, would urge that there should be no postponement.

Political circles believed that the removal of President Zaim would open the way for a common Lebanon-Syrian policy such as existed before he seized power. A communique from the Higher Military Council in Damascus said Syria would co-operate fully with other members of the Arab League. She favoured strong international front of Arab states.—Reuters.

No Statement From Syrian Ex-President

General Atassi, former President of Syria, will make no statement on yesterday's coup d'etat in Damascus until the situation is clarified, it was stated at his villa here today.

Telegrams have been reaching him both from Syria and neighbouring Arab States. A member of the ex-President's entourage told Reuters today, "The telegrams tell him of the Syrian people's joy at deliverance from tyranny."

He added that telegrams came from personal friends, some of them influential people in public life who have have the interests of the Arab cause at heart. "Kouatly's staff state that he is in excellent health and the tranquillity of life in Switzerland has done him good."—Reuters.

Coup Deals Setback For France

Beirut, August 15.

The coup d'etat in Syria yesterday dealt a serious setback to France's Middle East diplomacy, informed quarters said here today.

"They said the Syrian public had been shocked by the efforts of the executed president, Husein el Zaim, to reorientate the nation's foreign policy toward 'friendlier relations' with France's Syria's former mandatory power."

Beirut informants said that Zaim, who was executed yesterday's coup, pursued both an anti-Soviet and anti-British policy. Last month he sent his brother-in-law and personal secretary, Nazir Feneh, to the French president, Vincent Auriol, with presents and goodwill messages.

Friendship For All

Syria's new policy is expected to be friendship for all powers and special privileges for none. It was reported that the military junta which seized power yesterday already had sent notes to honour the nation's international agreements. It was understood the coup was inspired or engineered by any foreign power.

The Syrian people, bitter against their former French rulers, could not swallow Zaim's policy, informants said.

The position of the United States was not affected by the coup, these sources said, adding that British and American oil interests had not run into any conflicts and therefore was no reason for any intrigue between the two nations on this score.

Four Killed In Malay Attack

Singapore, August 15.

A special constable's wife and two constables were killed when a gang of 40 Communist terrorists, armed with machine-guns and shotguns, attacked a police post on the island of Pulau Ubin, near Kuala Lumpur, yesterday. It was learned today that the attack was carried out by a group of 40 terrorists who were active in the area.

The bandits stole eight rifles and 500 rounds of ammunition.—Reuters.

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Vacation-Minded House Puts Pressure On U.S. Senate To Hurry Work

Modern Army For Israel

Tel Aviv, August 15. Peace in the Middle East will be an armed peace for a long time, the Israeli Premier, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, said today.

Reviewing the Near East security situation, which he introduced a new military service bill in the Hebrew Parliament, he called for a modern up-to-date army, navy and air force and economic independence for Israel.

They were necessary, he said, in case Israel, geographically and politically isolated amid Arab countries, should be attacked.

He reiterated, however, that Israel is peace-loving and desires to live in friendship with all her neighbours.

The new army service bill provides for two years compulsory national service for all men between 18 and 29 and one year for all women in the same age group. The service proposed is to include military training as well as emergency work in agriculture, particularly the establishment of new settlements.

Bill's Clauses

The bill contains clauses which will require all agricultural colonisation while conscripted women will receive military training for three months and serve in other nine months in agricultural work.

The reserve age is to extend up to 49, Mr. Ben-Gurion said, explaining that men between 30 years and 39 shall be called to arms one month in every year plus one additional day every month as well.

Equally military trainee soldiers in the new villages near the Israel frontiers will be regarded as part of the Israel Army, the Prime Minister said while pointing out the strategic importance of these frontier posts which, in case of war, would form the first defence line.

Mr. Ben-Gurion also announced that several military academies in foreign countries in the East as well as West have agreed to admit a limited number of Israeli officers for further military instruction. — Associated Press.

Karen Rebels Strike Back Take Towns

Rangoon, August 15. Karen rebels, striking back against the Central Government's latest drive, have occupied two more Burma towns, it was officially stated here today.

Today's military communiqué reported that they had captured the rice centre of Nga Thun Gyalang, about 60 miles North of the Hravady Delta port of Bussell.

Officials also stated that rebel forces overpowered a small Government garrison stationed at Taunggy, capital of Burma's Shan States, and took control of the town on Saturday.

Government forces recaptured a Karen-held village to the East of Bussell after inflicting heavy casualties, the communiqué stated. — Reuter.

New York, August 16. Steel operations this week will be the highest in nearly two months at 83.5 per cent of capacity, the American Iron and Steel Institute estimated today. — Associated Press.

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Washington, August 15. The vacation-minded House of Representatives today put pressure on the Senate to hurry its work through by refusing to provide emergency funds for Government agencies to keep going while awaiting regular appropriations.

Angry members made it clear they meant it as a rebuke to the slow-moving Senate when they refused the two-thirds vote needed to approve emergency money.

The vote was in favour of a resolution which would not renew the spending authority of armed services of other agencies whose authority expires at midnight.

The House action left the ECA without funds after midnight. ECA is expected to keep its office open in the hope that funds will be approved within a few days, but it has no power to authorise further shipments of aid dollars. It has been operating under a 15-day extension of power granted as a stop-gap by the House and Senate about August 1.

Operations up to then had

Tel Aviv Papers On Syria Coup

Tel Aviv, August 14. The Tel Aviv Nationalist "Daily Haret" today accused Britain of engineering the Syrian Coup d'Etat.

It is not only an act of treason towards France it said, but also preparation for a renewed attack upon Israel.

The Communist Paper "Kol Hanoar" advised Syrians not only to get rid of the British but also of American influence—the double aim being achievable by the strengthening of anti-imperialist elements in their country it said.

The diplomatic correspondent of the Jerusalem daily, the "Palestine Post," which frequently expresses Israeli government views, said that the Israel Army is closely watching Syrian border events.

He hoped that no military action in the demilitarised frontier areas arising out of the Syrian Coup, will become necessary.

The Israeli-Syrian armistice agreement under the auspices of the United Nations is not in any way invalidated by the downfall of the Huzni Zaim regime and the substitution of the new junta, the correspondent thought.

The Tel Aviv labour daily, "Davar," assumed that the new regime will not favour social reform. — Associated Press.

No Money For Ulster Garrison

Washington, August 15. Democratic Representative Thomas Lane, in a speech to the House today, declared: "Any arms aid to Britain must be spelled out in detail to assure us that not one cent shall be used to garrison British troops in Ulster or to provide them with one plane, one tank or even one bullet."

"We consider Great Britain to be an ally and wish to make her defences strong," continued Mr. Lane, "but we are opposed to the use of such arms as we provide her to maintain existing wrongs or to keep subject peoples under imperialistic control."

"We cannot take the risk of sending arms to her which may be used to obstruct unification of Ireland and thereby expose us to the ridicule of the world," United Press.

Britain Waits For India Move

London, August 15. Britain is waiting for India to make the first move towards the disposal of a large number of Indian appeals to the Privy Council before the Indian Supreme Court comes into existence with the inauguration of the new Republic constitution early in 1950.

Commenting on the reports that Indian legal experts were considering the question urgently, a Commonwealth relations office spokesman said today that the initiative rested with the Indian Government.

"No action has been taken at this end but it is logical to assume that the Lord Chancellor would consider any suggestions that the Indian Government might make for the disposal of the appeals," he said.

More than 100 Indian appeals are understood to be pending before the Privy Council in London. With the creation of an Indian Supreme Court, appeals would no longer be sent to the Privy Council. — Reuter.

Chinese Red Transmitter In Thailand

Bangkok, August 15. The police today seized two radio transmitters said to be operated by a Chinese Communist army captain, who had entered the country secretly, from one of Bangkok's best known cabarets.

A reliable police source said that an arrested Chinese radio operator had confessed to the using of the top floor of the nine-story cabaret building to send political and military messages between Communist organisers in Bangkok and Chinese Communist groups who had infiltrated into the North Thailand hinterland.

It was reported that incendiary flames destroyed all documents connected with the alleged illegal transmission station before the police raid. — Reuter.

Schuman On Admission Of Germany

Strasbourg, August 15. The French Foreign Minister, Mr. Robert Schuman, said today that France favoured in principle the admission of Western Germany to the Council of Europe.

Mr. Schuman told newsmen, however, that his government had pledged itself not to take a definitive stand until it had consulted the French Assembly. Furthermore, he said, it seemed unlikely the new West German Government could start functioning until after the current European Assembly session had ended.

Mr. Winston Churchill has indicated he will press for a debate on the admission of Western Germany after the Assembly reconvenes tomorrow following its week-end recess.

M. Schuman said yesterday's West German elections showed a relative majority for elements favourable to Federal government for the country, but he added, "Evidently unknown factors still remain and the new Germany cannot be judged until the Federal Assembly and Federal government start functioning, which will take at least four weeks." — United Press.

Cabinet on August 6. At that time, he named a new Foreign Minister, Vladimir Popov, also a Politburo member, and new Home, Finance and Industry Ministers.

The changes disclosed today were believed to be part of Khrushchev's policy of surrounding himself with men he can trust. — United Press.

Bulgarian Cabinet Reshuffle

Sofia, August 15. The new premier, Vasil Kolarov, reshuffled his government for the second time in two weeks today, ousting one Cabinet minister and a host of deputy Ministers.

A Politburo member, Glagov Ivanoff, was named Minister of Public Works, replacing Soko Laroua, who resigned for health reasons.

Another top Communist came into the government in the reshuffle. He was Ivan Rujkov, member of the Communist Party Central Committee who went into the strategically important Ministry of the Interior as Deputy Minister.

New deputies were also named in the Ministry of Industry, Ministry of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Electrification and Ministry of Education.

General Ivanoff, new Minister of Public Works, has been Deputy Minister for some time. Kolarov, who succeeded the late Georgi Dimitrov as premier on July 20, started shaking up the

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New Ceiling Rates For Cables Between U.S. Commonwealth

London, August 15. New ceiling rates for telegrams between the United States and British Commonwealth countries, except Canada, will soon be recommended to the Governments concerned.

This was decided at a telecommunications meeting of representatives of the United States and Commonwealth Governments which ended in London last Friday.

The representatives have also decided to recommend to their Governments new general conditions which should govern the retention of existing radio-telegram circuits between their respective countries and the establishment of new ones.

The conference was held at the request of the United States to review the telecommunications agreements signed in Bermuda on December 4, 1945.

It was convened in April immediately after the trans-Atlantic telegraph and telephone conference and was thus able to take into consideration agreements reached on a worldwide basis.

The countries represented were the United States, Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Southern Rhodesia.

The Bermuda agreement of 1945 established these ceiling rates between the United States and the British Commonwealth countries: 30 cents (1s. 6d.) per ordinary full rate word; 20 cents (1s.) per word for code telegrams; and six and a half cents (4d.) per ordinary word of press traffic.

New Rates

The delegates to the London conference have decided to recommend to their respective Governments the following new ceiling rates: 40 cents (2s.) per

ordinary full rate word; 23-2/3 cents (1s. 4d.) per word of code telegrams; and 10 cents (6d.) per ordinary word for press traffic.

It was made clear at the conference that the ceiling rates recommended for the various categories of telegrams did not constitute the rates to be charged to the public for using these services; these would be within the ceiling rates.

The representatives, however, decided to recommend that if any party found it necessary to fix a rate in excess of the ceiling rate this should be done by giving a 90-day notice to the other parties to the agreement.

The United States and Commonwealth representatives decided to recommend that the essential factors to be taken into account in the retention of existing direct radiotelegraph circuits or in the establishment of any new ones are: economic conditions, the requirements of users at both ends of a proposed circuit with due regard to the existing channels of communication and the quick moving of traffic.

Rates between the countries of the British Commonwealth are not affected by the recommendations of the conference, whose Chairman was Lord Reith, Chairman of the Commonwealth Telecommunications Board. — Reuter.

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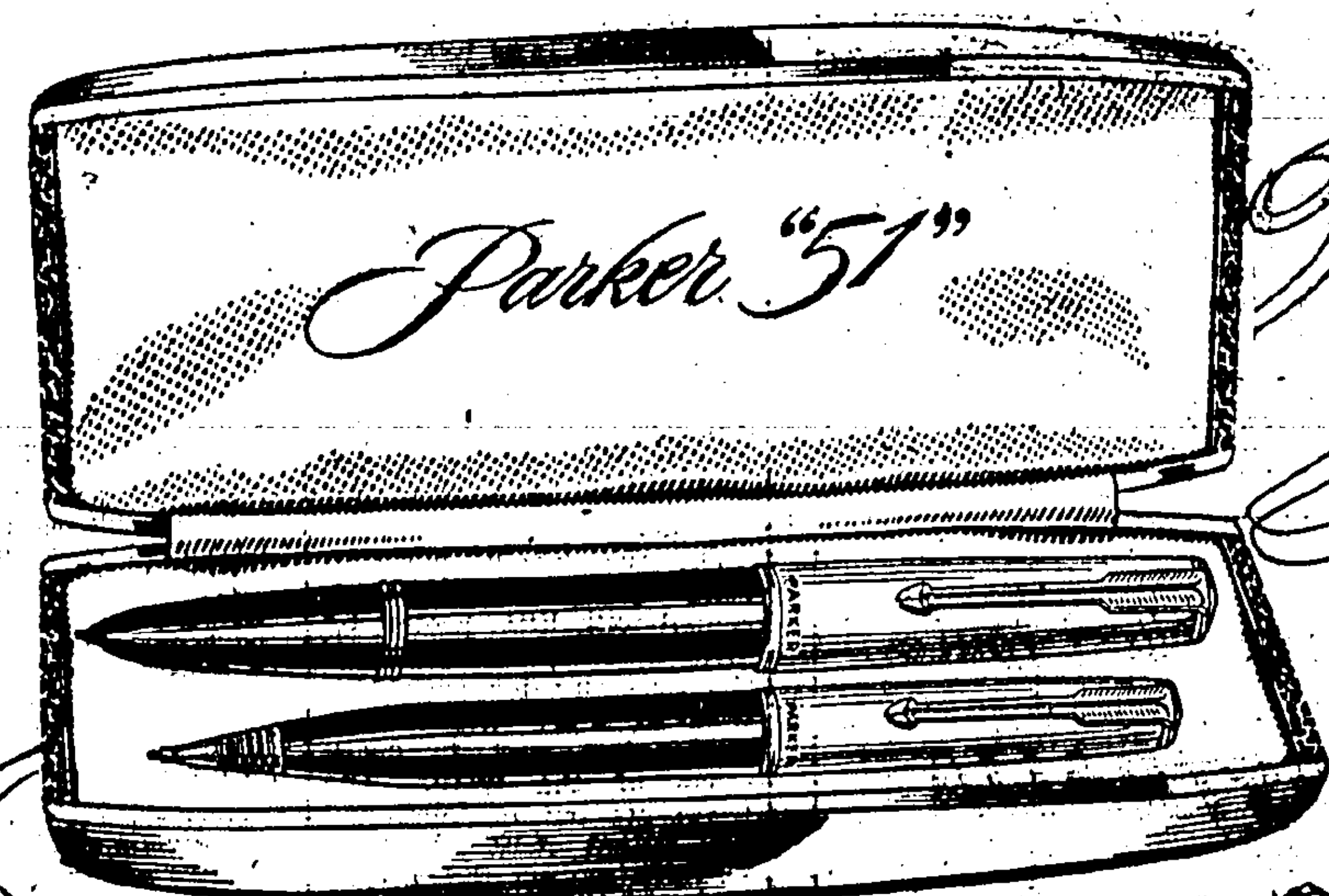
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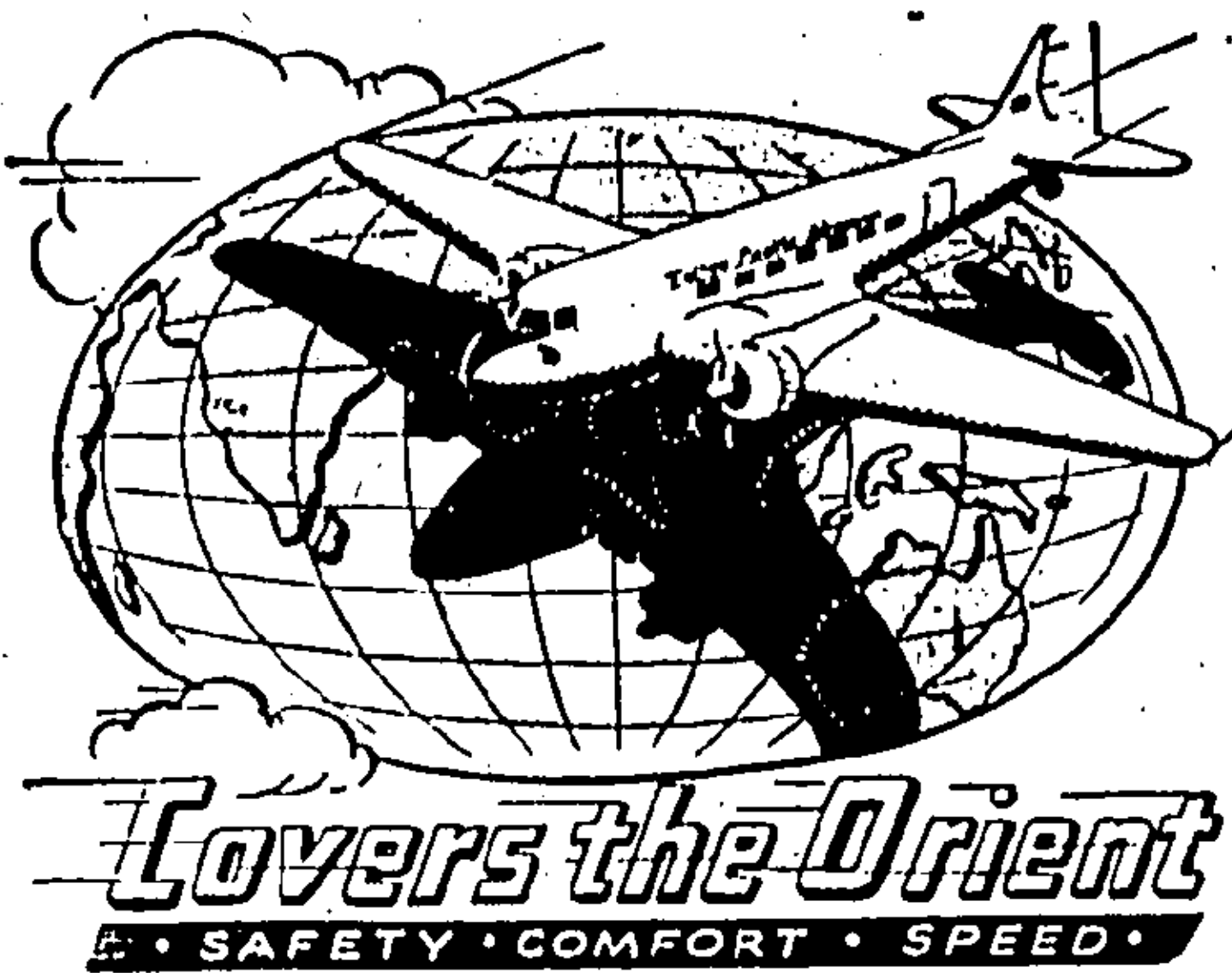
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BIRTH

GOLD—To Claire, wife of Martin
Gold, on August 16, 1949, at
Queen Mary Hospital, a
daughter, Candida.

DEATH

POTTS, David, of Streatham
Vale, David, late of Lane
Crawford, Ltd. and formerly
Chinese Maritime Customs.
Died at Queen Mary Hospital,
on 16th August 1949, Aged
37. Funeral at the Colonial
Cemetery today, 17th August
1949, at 5.15 p.m.

IN PREPARATION

One after the other, new
emergency powers are being
sought by the Hong Kong
government, and automati-
cally rubber-stamped in
Legislative Council. This is
not surprising—in fact, the
authorities would be seri-
ously failing in their assump-
ed duties if they did not en-
deavour to anticipate trouble
by arming the community
against subversive elements.
Most of the recent mea-
sures have been designed,
broadly speaking, to nullify
the activities of Communist
agitators trying to foment
civil disturbance, and to pro-
tect the Colony against any
other form of danger in time
of stress. Thus can be con-
structed this week's amend-
ments regarding the death
penalty, and the Expulsion
of Undesirables Ordinance.
Or previous laws relating to
the registration of persons,
banning of foreign-origin
political societies, and pre-
vention of teaching which
adversely affected the mind
of the young. The wide-
spread powers to requisition
all manner of property can
be explained in terms of
military necessity, while
others such as the gold ban
are not so easily justified,
despite Bretton Woods and
agreements with the Na-
tionalists.

On the whole, however,
each measure has been ac-
cepted with little protest by
loyal citizens, who recognise
the necessity for such con-
trols in what was once a
really free port in every
sense of the word. The
times are out of joint, and
we cannot drift along as
casualty as we did before.
This is particularly true
with regard to restriction of
immigration and its corollary
—expulsion of those whose
presence is actually harmful,
together with the check pro-
vided by the identity card
system.

Nevertheless it is much to
be regretted that all these
powers should have had to
be adopted with the govern-
ment in its present undemo-
cratic state. The caucus in
power has come to certain
conclusions without refer-
ence to the public and then
officially approved its own
decisions, from which there
is little or no appeal. From
a purely authoritarian point
of view, this type of oligar-
chy is most efficient in times
of stress: there is none of
the delaying discussions of
elected members, each con-
cerned with safeguarding the
rights of his constituents,
and no opportunity for an
outcry from voters whose
opinion must be considered.

In view of the present as-
pirations towards democracy,
however, it has all been
rather unfortunate. There
can be not the slightest doubt
that these sweeping powers
were taken with the best in-
tentions, and in all proba-
bility they will be used
with the utmost discretion.
But the fact remains that
they are in existence, and
could be abused, especially

Turning Bad Boys Into Good Boys

By KATHLEEN LYON

Johnny the young "criminal,"
always in and out of the courts,
remand homes, and approved
schools, can only be cured of his
misdoings by one person—him-
self.

And although Johnny does not
know it, he wants to be good.
Colonel James Ford-Thomson,
expert on children and adviser
to the Government of Madras on
Child Psychology, has shown it.

Gain Confidence

He gathered 11 of the worst
delinquents from a Government
certified school (equivalent to an
approved school in England) as
a test.
"My first job was to gain the
children's confidence," he told
me.

"Many did not realise that
what they had done was wrong—
they only knew society frowned.
I got them together and asked
them whether they thought
stealing was wrong. They said
'Yes,' but it was different when
I asked them why it was wrong.
I asked if they thought it
would be a good idea if the laws
were made so that it wasn't
wrong to steal. They said 'Yes.'
I then showed them that
things they valued could be
stolen from them, and that there
wasn't a thing they would be
able to do.

"The logic of being honest thus
appealed to them.
"All problems—lying, cruelty,
bullying, smoking—were dis-
cussed."

After the children came to
agree that what they had been
doing was wrong, Colonel Ford-
Thomson, "Big Brother" to them,
helped them to make a
book of laws.

Law Divisions
The laws dealt with serious,
not so serious, medium, and small
offences:
1. Johnny must not steal; 2.
Must not lie; 3. Must not smoke.
All the children agreed that
there should be penalties for
breaking the laws—and all
thought a spanking, varying with
the seriousness of the offence,
was the best method.

The children's ages were be-
tween 10 and 14. Colonel Ford-
Thomson told me: "When they
left me they went back, many
of them into poverty and bad
environments, but several months
after I found that in all cases
they were sticking to the morals
they had thought out for them-
selves."

Officials of the Madras Govern-
ment were so impressed that
four Government-controlled
schools for delinquents now
operate by this method, together
with three private institutions.

3,000 'Graduates'
Between 3,000 and 4,000 chil-
dren have so far been through
the schools. Reports from the
headmasters show that 92 per
cent are doing exceedingly well,
six per cent are improving, and
two per cent show no change.
"Punishment for misdoing is
essential for the child," Colonel
(Continued at foot of Col. 5)

by the thousand and one
minor bureaucrats whose ac-
tivities it is so difficult to
check.

From time to time the
"China Mail" has analysed
the various bills as they have
been published, and pointed
to many anomalies and loop-
holes. These objections have
usually been grandly ignor-
ed, and the full impact will
therefore not be known until
the time comes, and govern-
ment chiefs or subordinates
put their own interpretation
on vaguely-worded ordinan-
ces. Such flaws in our
system cannot be rectified
until constitutional reform
has been put into practice.

Admittedly we have re-
cently noticed an increased
willingness by some senior
officers to explain the work-
ing at least of the measures
with which they are con-
cerned, and this trend is to
be encouraged. It is a wise
step at a time such as this.
Further, we would once
again most strongly suggest
that more publicity be given
to government discussions
before final decisions are ac-
tually taken. This parti-
cularly applies to the Finan-
ce Committee, which is
virtually a policy maker,
and which before the war
was open to the Press. Gov-
ernment should most cer-
tainly consider making its
proceedings public again.

WARSAW, THE AMAZING IRON CURTAIN CITY

By ALEXANDER CLIFFORD

In a few sizzling phrases
the Polish Communist called
for a bottle of vodka.
Then he turned with a confident
smile and asked the question I
knew he would ask—"What do
you think of Warsaw?"
Everybody asks it automatically
and they wait with a complacent
caginess for the reply. Because
Warsaw really is incredible.
Either the Governments of
Western Europe have not really
been trying with their reconstruc-
tion, or else this is a miracle.
There is nothing remotely like it
anywhere else.

Five Years Ago

There was a moment five years
ago when the city was dead and
abandoned. Eighty-five per cent
of it was totally destroyed—not
casually damaged but systemati-
cally abolished by the Germans.
There was not a whole pane of
glass in the place. More of the
population had perished than
Britain and America together lost
in the whole war. When the first
citizens groped their way back
they could not even find the
streets.

Today the city throbs with an
extraordinary vigour and vitality.
The new buildings are rising so
fast that the people live in a
constant state of excitement about
it.

Much of the old familiar archi-
tecture is being rebuilt exactly as
it was. But there is a spacious
new overall plan, and the citizens
of Warsaw can already see the
lineaments of a splendid city.
So it was easy to be an enthusi-
astic as the Communist wished.
Then he went on quickly to his
next point. "How do you like the
food? Most people from the West
find that we cook in too much
butter, but you soon get used to
that. And it isn't just for the
rich—not that there are many
rich."

He leaned over and grabbed a
menu. "Look—this is the best
restaurant in Warsaw. Here is a
lunch, quite a good lunch, for
70 zloty. That's less than a
shilling."
I duly admitted that the food
was as good and as cheap as any-
where in Europe. The Commu-
nist nodded, and pointed out
of the window. "Look at the
people," he said. "Do they look
miserable? Are they dressed in
rags? Do they seem afraid? Have
you yourself been followed
while you were here? Are your
dispatches censored?"

His Golden Voice

Gathering material for his
broadcasts, Mr. Smallwood learn-
ed so much about his homeland
that he was able to write its first
comprehensive history. He learn-
ed how, 80 years ago, Newfound-
land joined the British Empire,
and how the British Colonies in North
America to join with them in
forming the Dominion of Canada.
He knew that Canada had since
prospered and now enjoys the
highest wages ever paid in any
British country, while his own
land, because so poor that work-
less men were given a dole of only
threepence a day.

Confederation with Canada
seemed to him, such an obvious
course that, single-handed, he
started and waged the campaign
to achieve it. Joey has a golden
voice—and it is a matter of his-
tory now how it reached every
hamlet in the island through the
radio.

The people voted for Confedera-
tion, and on April 1 success
crowned Joey's campaign when
Newfoundland and its Labrador
Territory, together half as big
again as Britain but with a popu-
lation much smaller than Sheffield,
became Canada's 10th Province.
Joey found himself automatically
a political leader. He achieved
almost a clean sweep in the first
general election and became Prime-
minister.

Since Confederation Day, the
cost of living has fallen more
than 15 per cent through the
abolition of the stiff Newfoundland
tariff. Butter has dropped
from 5s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per lb.
Women's clothes are 25 per cent
cheaper. Fishermen are getting
higher incomes because of the bet-
ter Canadian system of marketing
abroad—and fish is the island's
chief crop.

Capital is being put up to
make more jobs developing the
forest resources and valuable
minerals.

Single Benefit

But the greatest single benefit
Confederation has brought Brit-
ain's oldest colony has been the
Canadian baby bonus. In hun-
dreds of little fishing villages
Ford-Thomson told me. "It re-
moves the feeling of guilt. But
it must not be mental punish-
ment—physical punishment, by
agreement with the child, is the
only way."

"My method really is what is
used to solve juvenile delin-
quency in England. After all,
there has been plenty of talk
and no one seems to agree. So
why not do something practical
and judge by results?"

on into other things. Statistics
tripped from his tongue. The
social services the export figures—
the scheme for providing the
holidays for children—the
new motor-car factory—the rising
industrial production—the tolera-
tion of religion. It was all
admirable.

He paused for a minute, mar-
shalling his arguments in his
mind. Then he asked the ques-
tion he knew he must finally ask.
"In every respect I have men-
tioned this seems to be a good
Government. What don't you like
about it?"

How was I to answer, I said:
"It is a matter of freedom."
No one can really say how much
support this Government has—
true Communists, of course, do
not really care. But the regime
has certainly produced solid
achievements which might be ex-
pected to earn support for any
normal Government.

She Has Coal

For one thing, the Poland of
today shows a "people's recovery"
can be economically successful.
Poland is economically successful.
She may become one of the most
prosperous nations of Europe. It
is true she has advantages.
She has fertile soil, coal, and
the large industrial region of
Silesia which she got from Ger-
many. She is exploiting her po-
sibilities with vigour and intelli-
gence, and she plans to do a great
deal more than she has done
already.

But she may still get her feet
tangled up in her theories. She
is building Socialism as a bridge
to Communism, and she has a
long and complicated way to go.
Private enterprise still exists,
though it is limited to concerns
with less than 50 employees. And
as it is systematically abolished,
the swelling bureaucracy will
grow steadily larger.

There may be serious difficulties
when they start collectivising the
land, for the tenacious peasants
are resolutely opposed to it.
But it will be done. And on
paper large-scale mechanised
agriculture ought to produce far
more than the present system of
tiny plots cultivated by primitive
means. Moreover, many of the
farm labourers are needed in the
cities as workers in the newly
developed industries.

Too Hard Work

There are signs already that
some of the miners and industrial
workers feel they are being made
to work too hard. The Govern-
ment has pressed with infectious
enthusiasm too far and raised the
norms (the basic minimum which
workers are expected to produce)
too high. There is a danger there
of provoking serious discontent
with the regime.

But at the moment the Poles
certainly are prepared to work
hard. It is difficult to say just
what inspired these men who are
so feverishly rebuilding Warsaw—
whether it is loyalty to their
Government, or love of their city,
or sheer terror.

Beyond that they feel pride in
the way results are being achieved.
The fact that this is all on
behalf of "People's Poland," may
mean something.

And, beyond doubt, the fear of
being jailed as a saboteur is a
deterrent to slacking. But in
addition there is greater accept-
ance here of the necessity of work
than there is in France or Eng-
land. At any rate it is getting
done.

One main reason why things
are going well, is that the Polish
Communist Party has recognised
the necessity by gradual transi-
tion to Communism. They see,
for instance, that there is no pos-
sibility of de-Catholicising the
country quickly.

There are no semi-defunct
national leaders, like Stalin or
Tito or Dimitrov. There is no
great support for Communism
itself. There is a traditional dis-
like of Russia. So the party
leaders are feeling their way
gently and prudently—probably

Spain's Reaction To British Export Slogan

"Export or die." Britain's
popular trade slogan, is meet-
ing with little sympathy in
Franco Spain.

Seeing the slogan from a strictly
private enterprise point of
view, Spanish manufacturers say
that Britain seems bent on trade
suicide.

For evidence they point to Bar-
celona's 17th Annual Interna-
tional Fair opening on June 10.
In spite of Spain's continued ex-
clusion from U.N.O., 16 countries
were represented at the Fair,
Britain, however was not one
of them.

Socialist principles apparently
coming before the export drive,
it has been officially decided that
Britain must sacrifice what was
once a predominantly British
market to her trade rivals. Only
British goods on show were those
exhibited by manufacturers still
lucky enough to have Spanish
agents. As the same time, never-
theless, there was a typically
puzzling exception to the boycott
rule. The British Information
Office ran a free cinema show at
the Fair, describing the latest
triumphs of British industry.

Spaniards wondering why we
should trouble to publicise our
goods while at the same time
banning them from the Fair have
come to the conclusion that it
must be Britain's national genius
for compromise.

Another impending apology—
from yesterday's film booklet.
"Don't Fail To Miss This TNT
Drama."
"Judith Strikes."
These typhoons can go on
strike all the time, for all I care.

According to a contemporary,
"Today little star good for
hatching is left" in England.
Yes, as a matter of fact it's
been disappearing with meteor-
like rapidity for years.

Mrs. Beeton wrote a book.
Telling women how to cook.
Judging by the things I've
eaten.

My amah's cooking can't be
Beeton.

As one Pokfulam cow said to
the other: "I met the new mil-
kman this morning, and say—did
he pull a fast one."

I found a friend, with shaking
hand, tentatively sipping a
brandy drop yesterday morning.
"You look as if you'd had a
good time last night," I sug-
gested.

"Oh, I do hope so," he groan-
ed. "I should hate to feel like
this for nothing."

Death of Employees Directive
No. 7721

It has been brought to our at-
tention that many employees are
dying and are refusing to fall
over after they are dead. This
must stop.

On or after September 1, 1949,
any employee found sitting up
after he or she has died, will be
dropped from the payroll at once
without investigation. Where it
can be proven that the employee
is being supported by a type-
writer, truck, or any other prop-
erty of the company, a 90-day
period of grace will be granted.

The Following Procedure will
be Strictly Followed:
If, after several hours, it is
noted that an employee has not
moved or changed position, the
supervisor will investigate. Be-
cause of the highly sensitive na-
ture of our employees' and the
close resemblance between death
and their natural working move-
ments, the investigation will be
made quietly so, as not to dis-
turb the employee if he is merely
asleep. If some doubt exists as
to the true condition of the em-
ployee, extending a pay cheque
is a fine test. If the employee
does not reach for it, it may be
reasonable to assume that he is
dead.

In some cases, the instinct is so
strongly developed, however, that
a spasmodic clutch or reflex ac-
tion may be encountered. Don't
let this fool you.

In all cases, a sworn statement
by the dead person must be filled
out on a special form provided
for this purpose, form 408-408A,
of which 15 copies will be made
—three copies are to be sent to
the coroner, and three copies are
to be given to the deceased. The
other copies will be lost in the
company's files.

Form 21—"Application for
Permanent Leave" must also be
filled out by the employee, and
be sure to include forwarding
address. If he or she cannot
write, his or her signature must
be witnessed by two other em-
ployees—preferably alive. Com-
plete the case by pushing the
body aside to make room for the
next incumbent.

By order of (signed)
Joe. Lancet,
Company Surgeon

far more slowly than Moscow
would like.

They believe that gradual in-
doctrination and persuasion by
propaganda and results will work
better than wholesale terror.

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U.S. HOUSE COMMITTEE GRANTS MILITARY AID

Limitations Placed On First Year Cash Spending "SUPREMACY OF TREATY"

Washington, August 15.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee today granted the full US\$1,160,990,000 asked by the administration for military aid to Western Europe, but limited first year cash spending to only about half the total.

The Committee chairman, Representative John Kee, told reporters that the only restriction the Committee wrote into the measure as it applied to Western Europe was to require the President to certify to Congress that a unified Allied command had been established under the provisions of the North Atlantic Pact.

State Dept Hails Elections

Washington, August 15.

The State Department today hailed the election in Western Germany as a return to democracy after a 16-year break and as a smashing defeat for Communist and Nazi elements.

At the same time, it held out hope that eventual agreement with Russia would permit the establishment of a government for all Germany on the basis of democratic principles.

The Department spokesman, Mr. Lincoln White, said that in spite of strong Nationalist appeals during the campaign the results showed on the whole victory for moderate groups.

"One striking feature was the failure of the Communist Party even to hold the small strength it had shown in former state elections."

He said the elections were viewed by the Department with gratification as demonstrating restoration of normal democratic processes in the greater part of Germany after an interruption of 16 years.

He emphasized that the United States' hope that the new government would be transitional and would be succeeded by a government for all Germany. This, he added, would come as soon as the Big Four powers were able to reach agreement on the basis of democratic principles.

Mr. White's statement was seen as making it clear that the door was still open to agreement for all Germany if the Russians were ready to modify their uncompromising attitude, which caused the recent four-power efforts to reach such agreement to end in failure.—United Press.

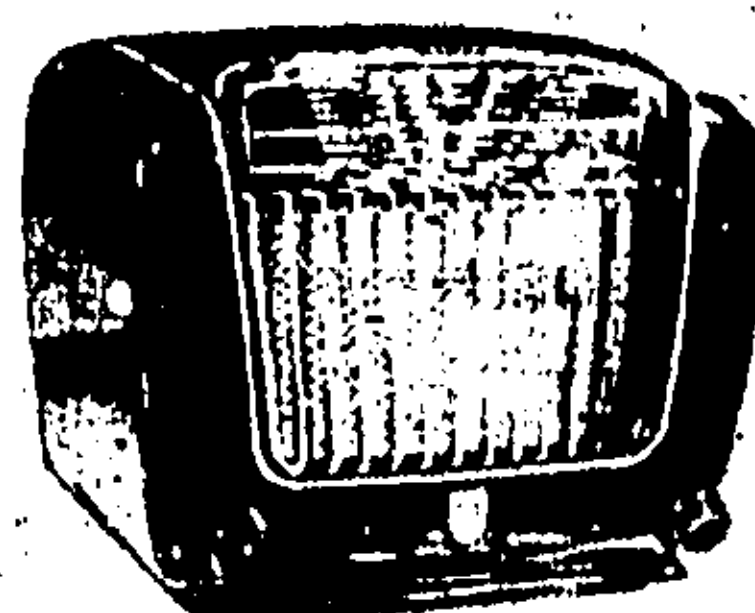
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MR. CHURCHILL

Churchill Honoured In Moving Strasbourg Ceremony

Strasbourg, August 15.

Mr. Winston Churchill brushed tears from his eyes today when he thanked 10,000 cheering Frenchmen, women and children after an Honorary Freeman of this picturesque, ancient city of many wars had been conferred on him.

The ceremony took place in the Gothic City Hall of Strasbourg, whose municipality is host to the new 12-nation Council of Europe, of which Mr. Churchill, Britain's wartime Prime Minister, was one of the main architects.

The highlight of a memorable occasion came after the official presentation and the formal speeches were over.

Summaged by the cheering which floated through the tall windows of the Hall of Honour, Mr. Churchill stepped out of the balcony.

They looked down on a sea of upturned faces expressing the gratitude of a nation to the great wartime leader and the British people.

Smilingly, Mr. Churchill acknowledged the waves of cheers. Then with tears in his eyes he addressed the crowd simply and in French.

He said: "You have paid me an incomparable compliment that I shall value for the rest of my life. Vive La France."

Freed from work by the religious festival of the year—that of the Assumption—Strasbourg's citizens converged in brilliant sunshine on the great Square which runs the whole length of the City Hall frontage.

Car Chaired
Women in gay "New Look" frocks took their children to the lavishly beflagged Square.

Passengers jumped from passing trams and hurried from cafes to join the waiting throng. They sent up a big cheer when Mr. Churchill's car appeared.

As he entered the forecourt he stood bareheaded while a French military band played the two National Anthems.

In the course of the ceremony within the City Hall, Strasbourg's Mayor, M. Charles Frey, said: "In making you a Citizen of Honour, Strasbourg honours herself. The fervent welcome you have received is not an empty gesture but comes straight from the heart."

He thanked the ex-Premier for his part in the liberation of Strasbourg five years ago, when Mr. Churchill personally intervened with the Supreme Command after seeing a message from M. Frey to General de Gaulle.

After receiving the parchment inscribed with the title of "Freeman," Mr. Churchill recalled that it was 10 years, almost to a day, since he was in Strasbourg inspecting the sector of the Upper Rhine—"days when the war seemed about to leap upon us."

During the Mayor's address Mr. Churchill was visibly affected, and he was seen to brush aside a tear as he stepped to the microphone to reply.

"For over 40 years I have marched shoulder to shoulder with the French people and the French Army," he said.

"Many of those years have been war years. Nothing has ever occurred at any time that separated my sympathies and accord from the French people and the French nation."

Great Prospect
"Whatever our troubles may be, if we stand together and work and think together in the future as we have in the past, a great prospect will open not only for Britain and France but for all Europe."

Acknowledging on behalf of Mrs. Churchill the welcome offered to her by the Mayor, Mr. Churchill spoke of the "devoted help of what we call in English my better half."

U.S. Envoy Visits Joe Stalin

Moscow, August 15.

The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Alan G. Kirk, met for about 45 minutes in the Kremlin tonight with Premier Joseph Stalin.

An informed source said Mr. Kirk had reviewed the United States and the Soviet relations in general terms.

The Ambassador told newsmen after the conference: "I don't think I will have anything to say about my visit tonight, but I may have something to say tomorrow."

The U.S. Embassy described the call as a courtesy visit. It was learned that Mr. Kirk had requested the meeting—the first time any high American official has seen Mr. Stalin in almost a year.

(The Moscow radio said the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vishinsky, was also present at the meeting.)
Mr. Kirk, a retired admiral in the Navy, succeeded Lieutenant General Walter Bedell Smith as Ambassador to Moscow, arrived in the Soviet capital late last June.—Associated Press.

Mrs. Vanderbilt May Be Victim Of Polio

New York, August 15.

Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., was taken to doctors' hospital today as a possible victim of infantile paralysis.

Mrs. Vanderbilt, fifth wife of Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., grandson of the railroad tycoon, was stricken at the Vanderbilts Fifth Avenue home late on Sunday night. She suffered partial paralysis of the back, neck and leg. She was rushed to the hospital where nine doctors were called and consulted about her case.

The Vanderbilts returned on Friday from Europe where Mr. Vanderbilt had taken several films which he intended to use on a lecture tour. The family was looking at the projection of the pictures on Sunday evening when Mrs. Vanderbilt was stricken.

The Vanderbilts were married on September 3, 1948. Mrs. Vanderbilt, former Patricia Wallace of Los Angeles, was 28 at the time and her husband was 50. The hospital said the doctors would continue to make tests today to determine the exact nature of Mrs. Vanderbilt's condition.

Mrs. Vanderbilt's daughter by a previous marriage, Nanette, seven, was a victim of spinal meningitis at the age of three. The child has almost fully recovered.—United Press.

Russia Drops Yugoslav Demand

London, August 15.

Soviet negotiators on the Austrian peace treaty, following Moscow's denunciation of Marshal Tito as an enemy, today dropped their sponsorship of the Yugoslav demand for indemnity for art objects taken from Yugoslavia.

Their action completed agreement on Article 38 covering restitution. Western sources said. The previously-disputed clause provided that art and historical objects taken from members of the United Nations also Austria which could not now be found would be paid for by Austria. The Russians earlier had made the proposal on behalf of Yugoslavia, officials said.

At the same time, however, the Russians demanded what Western negotiators said would amount to close to 100 per cent of prospective Austrian oil lands. Under the Foreign Ministers' agreement at Paris, Russia was to get control of 60 per cent of the prospective fields.

The Soviet proposal, presented today, divided the lands into two groups, "marginal" lands to be given to the Austrians.—United Press.

SCAP Gets Notice To Return

Washington, August 15.

General Douglas MacArthur and Vice-Admiral Oscar C. Badger were sent formal notice today that the two Senate Committees want them to return and tell what they knew about conditions in the Far East.

The Secretary of Defense, Mr. Louis Johnson, cabled the two men a copy of a resolution adopted last Friday by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by a 13 to 12 vote. The Armed Services Committee previously suggested that the two men return.

Mr. Johnson did not order either General MacArthur, Allied Commander in Japan, or Vice Admiral Badger, Commander of U.S. Naval Forces in the Far East, to return.

Instead he asked for their comments on the matter as soon as possible.

The two Committees have been hearing witnesses on the administration's \$1,450,000,000 Arms Aid Programme.

Mr. Johnson noted in his cable that General MacArthur had taken the position that he felt he was more needed in Japan, at present and that he would have to be ordered home.

Mr. Johnson included in his cable a sentence of his letter to the Committees in which he said: "I would not order him (General MacArthur) back, if he indicated, on his request, that he would not come back, until I had talked to the two Chairmen and the President.—Associated Press.

Zionist Leader Dies In London At Age Of 74

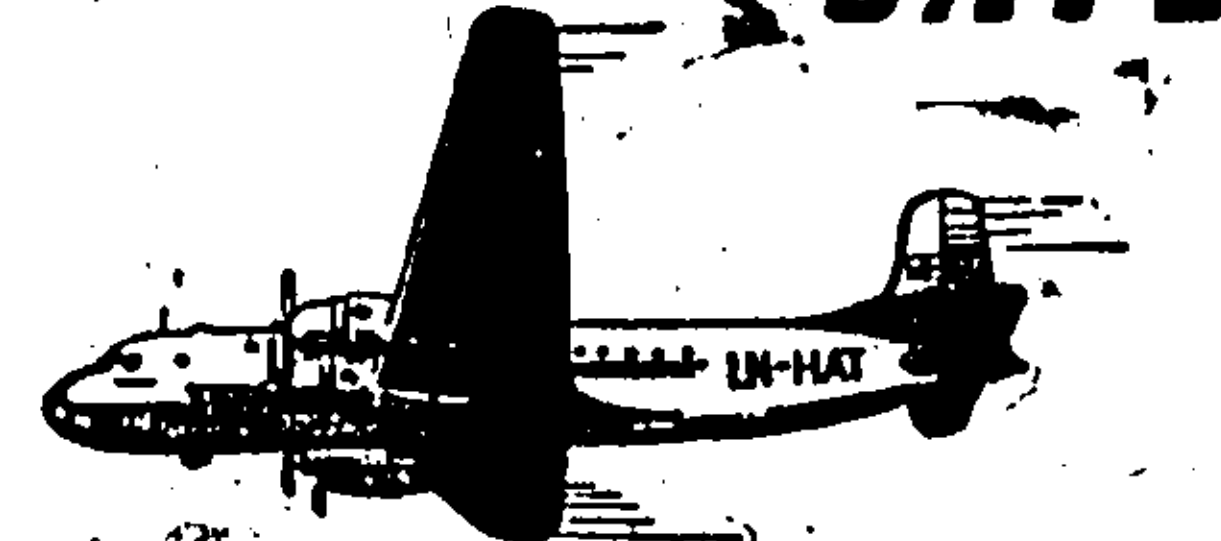
London, August 15.

Paul Goodman, internationally known Zionist leader and Anglo-Jewish historian, died in the University College Hospital here yesterday. He was 74.

Mr. Goodman had been secretary of the Spanish and Portuguese Jews' Congregation of London for more than 50 years. He was a member of the Jewish Agency Council, the Jewish Historical Society of England and the Jewish Memorial Council, and was the author of a number of books on the history of the Jews and of Zionism.

He also had been editor of the Zionist Review since 1920 and contributed liberally to the Zionist and general press on theological, historical and Zionist subjects.—United Press.

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Miners Start Work Again In Australia

Sydney, August 15.

Miners in New South Wales—Australia's chief underground coalmining State—dug 53,000 tons of coal today when they resumed work after their seven weeks' strike, mining authorities announced tonight.

Reports from the coalfields said that production was well below normal because of the first day atmosphere.

Losses in production also occurred because a number of mines were idle as a result of flood damage, safety hazards and mechanical difficulties. The mining authorities said that they expected all mines to be in full production by the end of this week.—Reuter.

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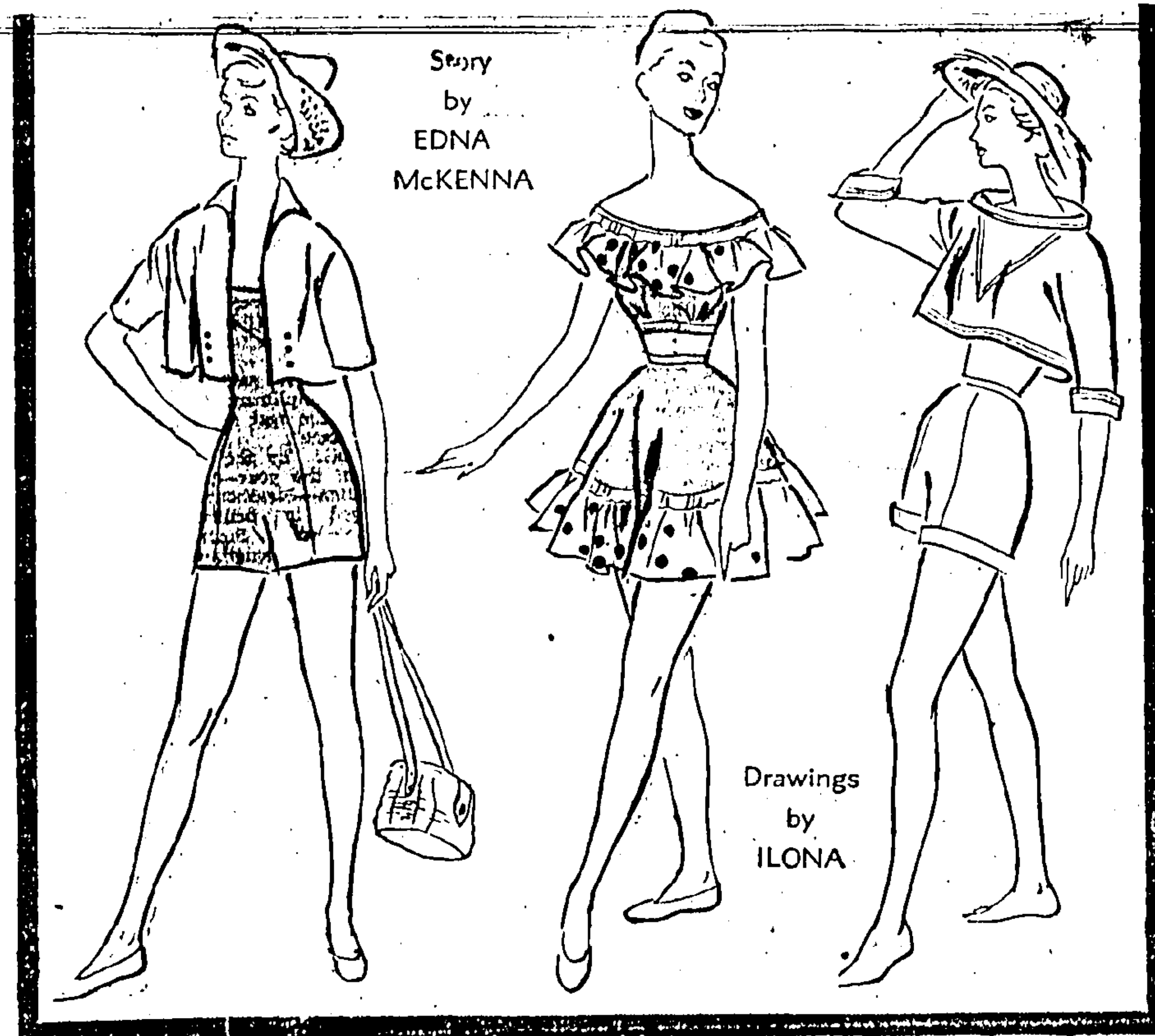
—P—H—E—W!

There is a boom in beachwear—and it started long before the heatwave. "Sun and fun suits" are being bought by everyone between 16 and 60. The selection is extremely good. Designs have definitely gone ahead from the unimaginative beachwear of pre-1939.

You can decide to go all out for a tan with a strapless swim suit, or all feminine with broderie anglaise, scalloping and "Jane Russell" frilling. Pretty little Victorian bloomer suits (centre illustrations) or drawstring bra and briefs will set you back very little. The new, stilettoed swim suits are a good idea.

Better suits have built-in brassieres, and there is one made by a famous corset firm. For the less extravagant there are telescopic swim suits. They are especially good for honey people. Out to make history are the little velvet jackets that slip on over swim suit or shorts. (Drawing on left) I have seen them in wonderful sulphurous yellow and cyclamen.

A fashion from the States is the sawed-off middy beach shirt (drawing on right) that Mary Martin wears in "South Pacific" in blue denim, with pullover neckline. It sells cheaply. Enterprising British manufacturers, please copy. Quickly.



WINE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE

By **BARBARA WAGE**

If you feel that you'd really like to have a "splush" dinner at home one evening — try cooking with wine.

Last week I dined with a friend who served a meal of soup, fish with peas and new potatoes, icecream and strawberries.

The fish was poached in the end of a bottle of White Bordeaux which she had had for a party the week before. The whole meal, for four people, would not have disgraced the smartest French restaurant.

Here is an excellent wine-using recipe invented by the chef of a restaurant on the outskirts of London.

Poach fresh fillets in fish stock. Make a roux (melted margarine in flour lightly cooked, strain fish stock over roux, adding a little curry powder. Whisk, make into creamy sauce, simmering for half an hour. Set aside for few minutes, then put good tablespoonful of white wine per person into sauce, add butter and seasoning and pour over halibut.

If you feel you can't afford wine when poaching fish, try cider. It tastes almost as good. For making fruit salads, jellies, ices or trifles that are a little different, try adding some Passion Fruit Juice from East Africa.

Going Green

Talking of doing things differently, an American friend of mine turned up the other day with "green hair!" At least the switch she wore pinned on the back of her closely-cut blonde head was green—green wool!

Collar Sense

Another American, Lucinda Ballard, famous New York stage dress designer, who dressed "Oklahoma," "Street Car Named Desire" and many other Broadway hits, has a very practical recipe for looking spick-and-span and yet saving herself trouble.

Her lingerie collars and cuffs are always beautifully laundered (she changes them after every wear), but she never sews them in.

When she buys a collar she makes a duplicate of some cheap material like muslin, and sew fastenings to clip on the collar like a loose lining.

Then when she changes her collar she just tucks in the under-collar beneath her dress neck, and secures it with a safety-pin so that it will not twist. No sewing needed, when you're off to work or a party in a rush. For the cuffs she inserts an elastic at the wrist, and wears them like the cuff-savers some people wear in offices.

They're Flighty

Judging by the previous of au-

turn fashion, it looks as if we shall all be wearing floating panels and buttoned-on over-skirts and aprons.

One afternoon dress had a lace flying panel which gave a lovely swing to the skirt. But be careful if you get one not to sit on it—when a flying panel is crumpled it looks dreadful.

Stoles, I think, will continue into the winter. I saw a most attractive one in a shop window. It was crocheted in a soft grey wool, and covered with gleaming sequins. It would have suited the smartest evening dress.

Unhappy Feet

But last month the heat seemed to bother people's feet at any rate. I limped home myself from Wimbledon, and when I asked my doctor what to do about it he just answered curtly: "Shoes."

In this weather shoes should be light, low heeled, and let in the air. There are some new raffia ones just arrived from Italy, which are perfect for warm weather.

If your feet hurt whatever you wear, try massaging them with methylated spirits, or soaking them in Epsom salts in the old-fashioned way.

Obvious Solution

One beauty expert told me that since the war, when women's feet

spread in Army shoes, or with queuing, they have been booked up always at least a week ahead.

Another way to rest your feet, of course, is not to stand on them! An evening's mending on the sofa will do a lot, and if you could have one of the new sewing cabinets I saw at Heals', it might almost be pleasant.

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INDIANS IN LONDON HEAR MESSAGE FROM PANDIT NEHRU

Speeches On India's Independence

Rangoon, August 15.
Dr. M. A. Rauf, Indian Ambassador in Rangoon, appealed to Indians in Burma today to conduct themselves in such a manner as to ensure the success of the new independent India in the world.

Dr. Rauf was broadcasting over the Rangoon radio on the occasion of the second anniversary of Indian independence.

"I congratulate you, especially those Indians living in disturbed areas in Burma, upon your display of fortitude in times of great trial," Dr. Rauf said. "You have borne your troubles with commendable patience and if you continue to do so in accordance with the Mahatma's teachings of non-violence and truth, it will uphold the honour of India."

Dr. Rauf assured the Indian nationals in Burma that their problems were being watched very carefully and steps taken to meet the situations as they arise.

The ambassador was holding a reception tonight for about 1,000 guests, including the Burmese premier, Thakin Nu, and other cabinet members, together with the diplomatic corps.

In Burma

Rangoon, August 15.
The Burmese Prime Minister, Thakin Nu, broadcasting on the second anniversary of Indian independence, said tonight, "With Pandit Nehru at the helm of his country's affairs India will be able to solve all her problems, however difficult they may be."

Thakin Nu said that Indian leaders have not only discharged their new responsibilities with wisdom and courage but are making far-reaching contributions towards world peace and international understanding.

The Premier appealed to Indians in Burma to co-operate wholeheartedly with us in our urgent programme of restoring peace in the country within one year.

In Washington

Washington, August 15.
Indians in Washington celebrated their Independence Day today at the Indian Embassy.

The Ambassador, Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, addressing the gathering in the evening, said that India had solved some of her problems since attaining independence two years ago, but many more are to be overcome and solved.

"At this time we shall rededicate ourselves to the ideal of a free India, the Father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhi, who fought and died for them."

The gathering of Indian students and other Indian nationals in Washington, at the request of the Ambassador, stood in silence for two minutes.

The Ambassador hoisted the flag of India and the National Anthem was sung.

At The Hague

The Hague, August 15.
Dr. M. S. Mehta, India's first Ambassador to the Netherlands, today inaugurated the new radio service to South East Asia of PCJ Station at Hilversum with an Independence Day talk to India.

He said that the World Omroep Radio Agency of Holland had conceived a new scheme. They intended arranging a daily broadcast from Holland to the countries of South and South East Asia, India, Burma, Pakistan, Ceylon, Indonesia, and others in that region.

"Exactly two years ago," he continued, "I sat in the Constituent Assembly of India when our ancient country declared itself completely independent."

"This date, August 15, will become a great national festival in our history."
On that day we reached the path of political aspirations following the path of peace and non-violence as taught to us by the Father of our nation, India occupied its due place in the family of free nations.

Mr. Mehta also said that the relations which had been established between India and the Netherlands would bring the two countries closer together and there would be a greater understanding of each other's culture, ideas, and the needs of each other's people.

He also said that this mutual understanding would give strength to the world's peace movement and that the world would be a better place for all.

London, August 15.
Thousands of Indians and friends of India, thronging India House today to celebrate the second anniversary of India's independence, heard a message from Pandit Nehru calling on all Indians to dedicate themselves anew to the service of India and expressing faith in India's future.

The message, read by the High Commissioner, Mr. Krishna Menon, said, "In the last year we have made many achievements to our credit and we have faced many dangerous situations. In many ways we have not succeeded in what we attempted to do, but we face the new year with courage and confidence and with full faith in the future of India. For this coming year we must dedicate ourselves anew to the service of India."

Mr. Menon spoke of the work of Mahatma Gandhi and others in achieving Indian independence, and said, "Today we must have the same spirit of sacrifice and courage which led Mahatma Gandhi to lead us to freedom. The more we depart from that, the less shall be our achievements."

The High Commissioner outlined the historic parts played by Pandit Nehru and Mr. Clement Attlee, the British Prime Minister, in the transfer of power to India, declaring, "There are today no two great statesmen who will go down in history for achieving more in human liberation with the least amount of violence and the capacity to forgive and forget at the same time than these two men."

Future Status

He said that when India became a Republic some time early next year she would be a State with no differences between sects, races or groups, where none was discriminated against because of what he believed in, but would be judged, he hoped, by the contribution he made to the well-being of the whole.

Mr. Menon thought that the greatest single achievement of the Government and the people of India was survival.

"That we survived the last 24 months is a great historic act," he said.

But it was no time to be complacent. The greatest task ahead was to raise the standard of living of the people.

The High Commissioner reviewed India's achievements during her two years of independence and the improvements in trade and education. They hoped to make the entire country literate in 10 years.

There had also been scientific development and while India had no military desires they had recognised the needs of the country and improved the defence forces. Industry had made great advances; production rose 12 to 15 per cent last year, and would be a further 10 per cent advance this year.

He spoke of the continued problem of the refugees, who were not seeking sanctuary but had a right to India, as a whole.

Part In UN

The High Commissioner affirmed India's faith in the United Nations Organisation and, in a reference to Pakistan, said, "We want nothing but friendly co-operation. We only want to live and let live."

Mr. Menon's speech was loudly applauded when he said that the agreement between India and the United Kingdom had been achieved by common sense and it was unique in the history of mankind.

The applause was renewed when he declared, "Those who have no right to participate in the working out of the future. I hope we shall face the future with courage and fortitude, even as the people who were before us did."

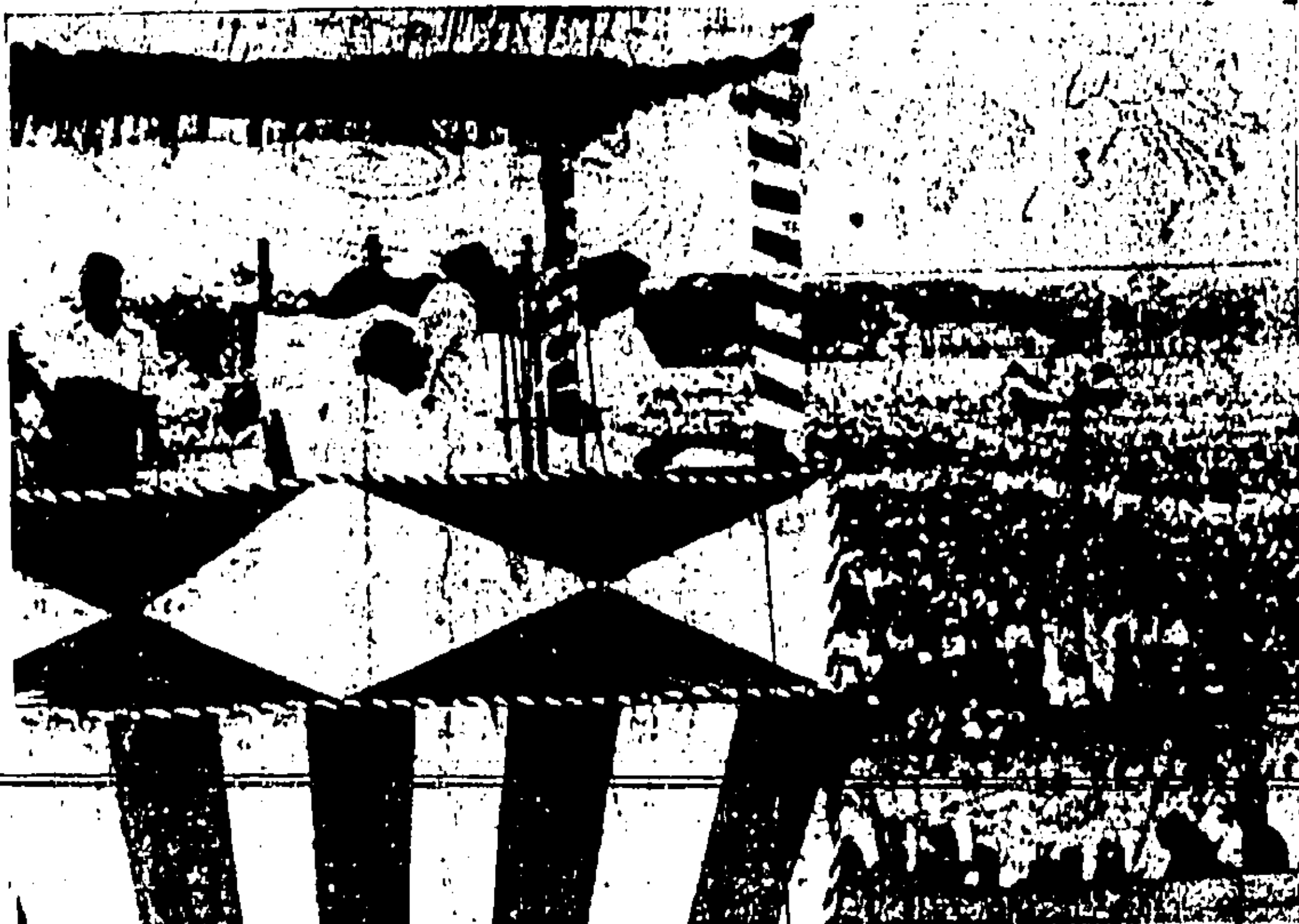
Lord Addison, the Lord Privy Seal, also paid tribute to Pandit Nehru, and the British Prime Minister in bringing about Indian independence.

Church Meet
On Plans
For Strategy

Trinova, August 15.
A Roman Catholic Church source said today that the Czech Board of Bishops, met here over the weekend to lay new plans for its struggle against the Communist government.

It was the first meeting of the hierarchy since the Vatican issued its decree excommunicating all Communists and active fellow-travellers from the Church.

Church leaders gathered here yesterday for the consecration of two bishops in defiance of the government. A government spokesman indicated, however, that the state would not take any action against the Church for holding an unauthorized ceremony.



The Indian Premier, Mr. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru addresses one million followers at a recent Calcutta meeting—An Photo.

MALTA DEPUTY PREMIER RESIGNS IN PROTEST

London, August 15.
Malta's Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Dom Mintoff, declaring that without Marshall Aid Malta cannot survive, resigned today in support of an ultimatum to Britain from the Colony's Government.

The ultimatum, brought to London by Mr. Mintoff, threatened grave steps unless Britain gave an adequate reply to Malta's demands to be allowed to seek Marshall Aid to relieve economic distress.

Mr. Mintoff, who is also Reconstruction Minister, declared in a letter to his Prime Minister, Dr. Paul Boffa, published today, that Malta was an over-populated fortress where unemployment and starvation are already stalking the land.

Describing his letter as a last-minute attempt to stave off disaster, he accused the British Government of evading the issue and the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, of by-passing and misleading him.

Dr. Boffa, who joined Mr. Mintoff in the London negotiations, had seen Mr. Creech-Jones earlier today.

Mintoff's Complaint
Mr. Mintoff complained in his letter that Mr. Creech-Jones had called the Malta Cabinet while he (Mr. Mintoff) was negotiating in London—that its claims would not be considered unless the ultimatum was withdrawn.

He declared that he would resign "as time is running short" unless Dr. Boffa gave an assurance by 10.15 a.m. today that the ultimatum would not be withdrawn.

Dr. Boffa, in a reply also published today, declared that he had been given full powers by the Malta Cabinet to negotiate with Mr. Creech-Jones and the Cabinet's statement "is to be withdrawn if and when I think fit."

Specific complaints from the Malta negotiators have concerned Britain's withdrawal of a £300,000 contribution towards Malta's food subsidies and the proposed dismissal of 200 workers at the island's Royal Naval Dockyard.

Dr. Boffa saw Mr. Creech-Jones and Viscount Hall, First Lord of the Admiralty, this afternoon. He had already conferred with Mr. Creech-Jones for two hours this morning.

Dr. Boffa said afterwards, "I cannot say whether there have been any new developments or whether any success will be achieved. I am going to see Mr. Creech-Jones again tomorrow morning."—Reuter.

U.S. DOMESTIC SUGAR FUTURES

New York, August 15.
Domestic sugar futures number six closed quiet no sales.

Domestic sugar futures number five closed two higher, sales 15 contracts.

September 5.40.
World sugar futures number four closed unchanged sales 22 contracts.

September 4.18.
Raw sugar spot 5.90 nominal. —Associated Press.

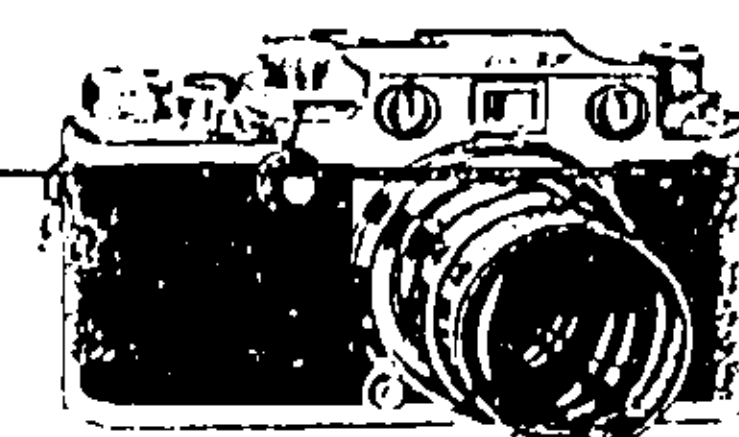
PIDGON OFF FOR ENGLAND

New York, August 15.
The film actor Walter Pidgeon sailed today on the Holland America Lines flag ship, Nieuw Amsterdam, for England, where he will make a sequel to his film, "Mrs. Miniver."

Another passenger on the Amsterdam was George Gallup, director of the Gallup Poll, who will attend a meeting of his European affiliated companies in Paris in September. —United Press.

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TEEN AGE TOPICS



The Spirit Of Young Filipinos

By BETTY BETZ

"UY!" which means hello in tagalog, the official Philippine language which is a combination of English and Spanish.

Magellan discovered these Islands in the Pacific and died here fighting against the natives. Ever since, there has been a Spanish influence in the religion, in the customs and in the architecture of the buildings.

It's a beautiful sight to fly over the neat, terraced rice fields, and to see the tiny tin roofs of the bamboo huts sparkling in the sunshine, but along with this beauty you also see the rusty hulks of about twenty Japanese battleships half sunk in the harbor.

After being in China for more than a month, it's almost like being back home to come into the airport and hear Dinah Shore's newest recording on a juke box, and to see some good old American candy bars for sale again.

Then you drive to town and pass what looks like a lovely big pink stucco home with grilles windows, only to get closer and see that it's only the shell of a home that's bombed out.

The schools and public buildings stand in ugly ruins as if an earthquake had knocked them down.

Dewey Boulevard, which was formerly a main thoroughfare with rows of lovely huge palm trees on either side, now looks like a flat U.S. highway in the middle West—without a shrub or a building on either side.

I met a lot of Philippine and American teen agers and asked them what it was like to live in a city of rubble and ruins.

"Oh...we don't think it's so bad!" said a pretty olive-skinned girl. "You should have seen it last year!" Then they all tried to change the subject and wanted to know if they were different from teen agers "Stateside."

"They look and dress like kids in California and have a happy outlook in life."

"We Filipinos are making a fast transition from the old Spanish customs to a modern, democratic way of life," said 16-year-old Joan Edades, "and the danger is that our young people copy American customs and styles without having time to really understand them."

The kids in Manila seem very much on the beam, and have already broken down some of the traditional rules about chaperones.

They love gay music, have a natural sense of rhythm and will dance their legs off doing the guaracha.

Vickey Querino, the president's 17-year-old daughter, is a jitterbug fan and collects Andy Russell recordings.

But in the country and in the provinces, where a whole family will live in a thatched nipa hut on stilts, the customs are the same as they were 200 years ago.

The parents arrange the marriages, a girl is not considered "nice" if she cuts her hair, wears slicks, or uses such slang words as "okedoke".

Pen Friend Wanted

Hong Kong born Remigio Barandas who is studying chemistry in the UK (at the moment holidaying in London) has written to one of his teen age friends in Hong Kong in quest of a pen friend for one of his English teen age friends in London.

Her name is Barbara Allan and her address is: 49 Batoum Gardens, ground floor, Batoum Hamersmith, London.

Barbara apparently, has heard a great deal about Hong Kong from Remigio and is anxious to write to someone here. Note the address, boys!

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Let's Change Partners

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Then there's the boy who is not so sure of his rating and he trades dances all right, but you may be sure his partner is dancing with the biggest drips on the floor. Whim!—why should HE dig up new material for her, anyway?

It's time we established some sort of rules about trading dances which will insure everyone a good time, and break up some of these long term partnerships—that is, until the ball is over!

First of all, you will have to keep an open mind and forget any feeling of being jealous or possessive.

If there are twelve dances on the programme, be sure to down the first and last ones for yourself and trade at least half of them with reasonably attractive looking male friends...and we don't mean to swap dances with

the chips who've brought girls you've been anxious to get better acquainted with.

If you're smart, you'll realize that by filling your dance card with attractive boys who will give her a good whirl, you'll only boost your own stock.

But if you're the possessive character who insists on hogging every dance for yourself, you may be sure of seeing a lot of your date for that one particular evening, but I doubt if there'll ever be a repenter.

If there's a duty dance with a chaperone, be sure you warn your date ahead of time instead of springing it on her when the music starts.

And please don't think that by signing up a lot of attractive dance partners your date will forget you completely. Just the contrary, she'll only remember you more!

Platter Chatter

One of the best harmony numbers issued by Columbia is 'Ooo! Look-a-There Ain't She Pretty' by the Charliettes.

The record has not been made available locally and I was indeed doubly fortunate in obtaining a copy after hearing this quartette sing this tune at the London Ballroom where they appeared on the same bill as 'Dead End' Virginia O'Brien and the dancing Beery Brothers.

The other side of the record 'What Did He Say', is also a nice piece faithfully reproduced on wax. You can get Ray Ellington's version of 'Look-a-There Ain't She Pretty' but this can only please those who have not heard the Charliettes platter during last Friday's Teen Time.

Norma Stevens is so fond of this number that she will repeat it this week.

Another repeat will be John Laurence's 'Once In Love With Amy'.

Teen Agers' Choice

Teen Time has certainly scored with a number of "firsts" notably Vaughn Monroe's 'The Maharajah Of Magadore', Red Ingle's 'Serena Yob', Bing's 'So In Love', Tommy Dorsey's 'Down By The Station', Bing and Joe Venuti's 'Ain't Dad Doin' Nothin'.

Records chosen by teenage disc jockeys who will be at Rediffusion's studios on Friday at nine p.m. are:—

'Fair Away Places' (Bing) When Tonight Is Just A Memory (Persis Como).

My Happiness (Pied Pipers) Moonlight (Artie Shaw) Ooh! Look-a-There Ain't She Pretty (The Charliettes)

(Once In Love With Amy (John Laurence)

Strictly Instrumental (Harry James)

Ke-Mo-Ki-Mo (King Cole Trio) and one other.

Old Favourites

A number of old favourites have just been released and I am sure these will be on sale in a couple of months' time. The include: Johnny Mercer's 'Last Night On The Back Porch', Jolson's 'April Showers', Platters' 'That's What I Like About The South', Sammy Kaye's 'I Me Call You Sweetheart', G. Lombardo's 'Villa', Freddy Martin's 'East Parade', Wayne King's 'Japanese Sandman', Russ Morgan's 'Wabash Blues' and 'Way Down Yonder In New Orleans', M. Brothers' 'St. Louis Blues', Art Shaw's 'Sobbin' Blues' and 'Cape Hagen' and Horace Heidt's 'Fading Leaves' and 'A Lover's Lullaby' featuring the composer Frank Carle at the piano.

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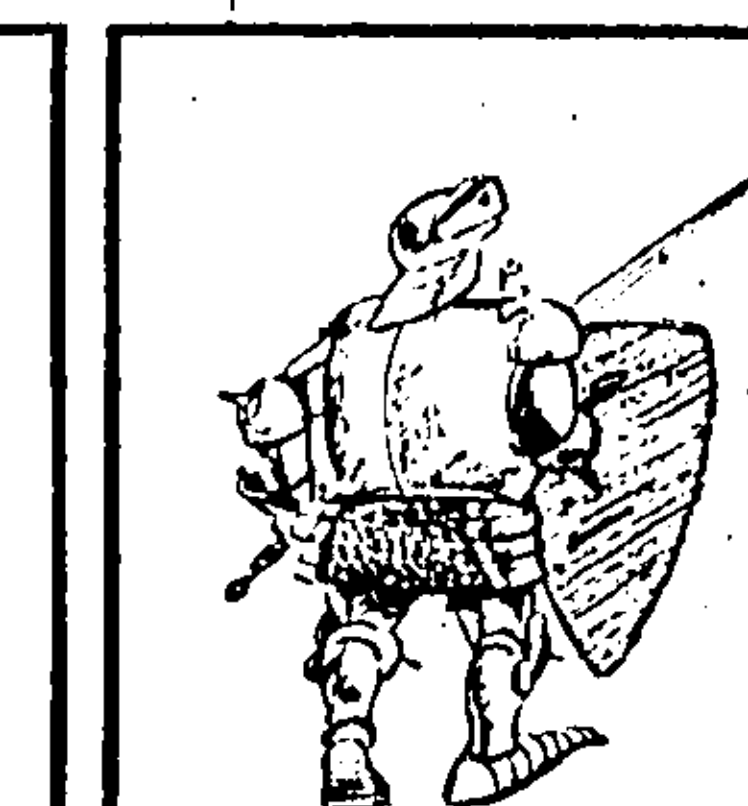
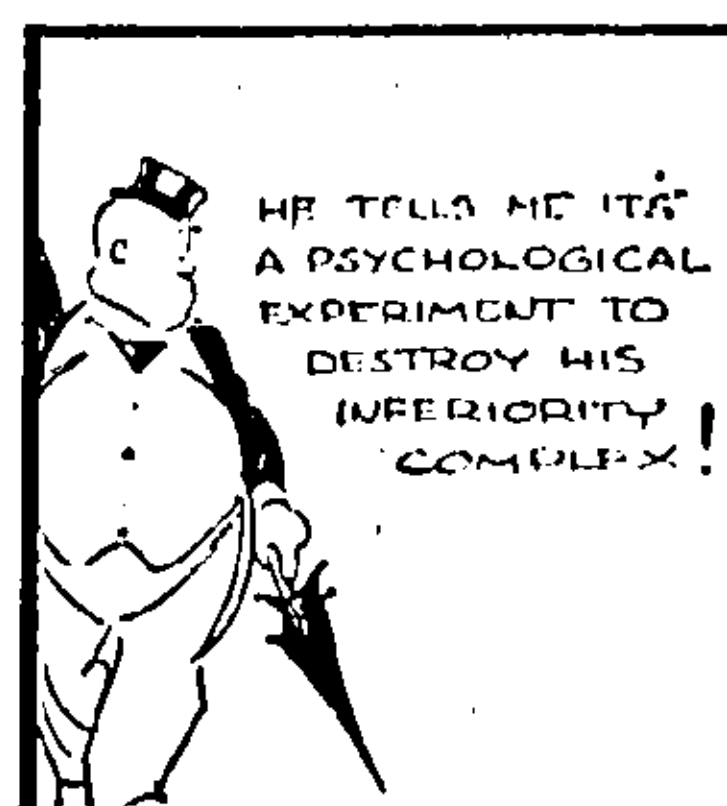
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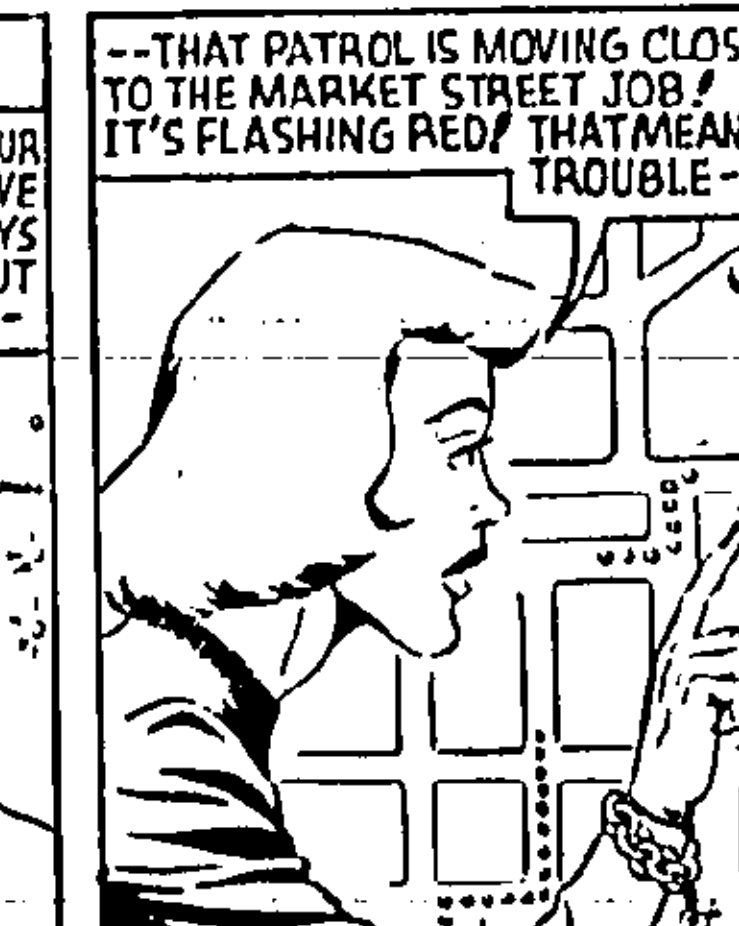
As have been stated before, Norma Stevens is now in charge of this programme and enquiries and requests should be addressed to her c/o Rediffusion Studios, Hong Kong.

There is a letter waiting in Topics' office for Elsa Den who incidentally was in our personality column some months back. Does anyone know where Elsa is, or will scribble call for it on her behalf?

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Washington, August 16.

When you hear about a "stockpile of atom bombs" do not get the idea they are piled up like bricks. The Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) itself says so, although it does use the word "stockpile."

Well, what is the AEC's definition of "stockpile" as used in its last semi-annual report?

"It means," the commission said in reply to a reporter's query, "to accumulate."

The AEC replied "no comment" to a query whether its use of the term stockpile meant assembled bombs.

But no matter how American's they are, ready for quick use if need should arise.

United States
Cotton Futures

New York, August 16. Cotton futures moved lower on scattered liquidation in early dealings on Monday, but subsequently turned firm on aggressive bidding against textile sales. Futures closed unchanged to 50 cents a bale higher.

October 29.95.
December 29.98.
March 29.95.90.
May 29.94.
July 29.16.
October 27.28.30.
Midnight Spot 32.35.

New Orleans, August 16. Cotton futures closed steady 45 cents a bale higher to 5 cents lower.

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The AEC chief, Mr. David Lillenthal made that clear at a recent Congressional hearing.

Representative Hollifield asked Mr. Lillenthal:

"Can you assure us... that, notwithstanding the fact that the Commission is in technical custody of the bombs, they are available instantly without undue delay of any type to the military in case there is need for them to take the bomb and deliver it?"

"I can," replied Mr. Lillenthal. The known facts about atomic energy would appear to indicate that it would be impossible to stockpile a bomb in your pile bricks. These scientific facts would appear to indicate that to attempt such a procedure would either:

1. Cause a premature explosion that would not have the force of a properly detonated bomb but would rather unexploded bomb material to the four winds.

2. Form a crude atomic energy "reactor" — a pile of uranium — 235 or plutonium that would at least partly burn itself up, thus destroying the usefulness of the bombs as such.

In either case, radiation might imperil at least the storage area.

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1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—"Operatic Favourites".
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

4.00 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling".
4.15 p.m.—"From Shows Old and New".
4.40 p.m.—"Lal Larena" at the Piano (Radio).

7.00 p.m.—Record Round-Up—Various Requests. Presented by Jean Halliday (Radio).
8.00 p.m.—World News and News.

8.15 p.m.—"Here's a Go!" Introduced by Wilfred Pickles, from Wigan, Lancashire (H.K.T.S.).
8.45 p.m.—"Generally Speaking"—The Romance of "Sweet Garden" by Ralph de la Roche (London Relay).

9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorial" (London Relay).
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.15 p.m.—Orchestra Works—by the Philharmonia Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—"Services Spotlight"—Concert given by R.A.P. Dance Band, Kailung, and Artists (Relay from China Fleet Club).
10.15 p.m.—"Islands of Britain"—"Isle of Wight" by Brian Vaux-FitzGerald (H.K.T.S.).

10.30 p.m.—"Plays and Plays" Recital by Arthur Robinson and Hefetz.
11.00 p.m.—"Radio News Item" (London Relay).

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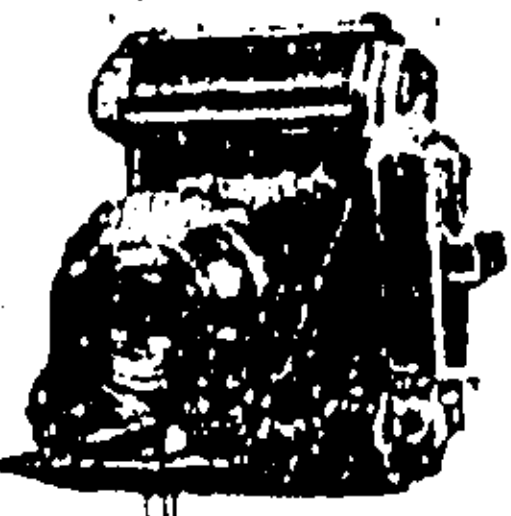
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Middlesex Should Win Game Against Worcester

London, August 15.

Middlesex look like consolidating their position in the County championship and providing their bowlers set down to their task on the final day of the match with Worcestershire tomorrow, the Southern side should win this important game.

Mainly through a cautious innings by Dewes and some enterprising hitting by Robins, Middlesex took the first innings lead with six wickets still in hand and finished with an advantage of 128. In their second knock Worcestershire lost four wickets without wiping out the arrears.

Surry, who are also chasing a top position, had an uneasy time against Lancashire, who dismissed them for 120. Lancashire, however, did not enforce the follow-on and Surry are likely to meet something over 400 tomorrow unless Lancashire declare early.

A feature of the Surry innings was the five wickets for 25 by Tattersall, an off-break bowler who actually took his wickets for only three runs in one spell of 41 overs.

After getting Gloucester's resounding wickets cheaply Gloucester, the champions, started off with a team century opening Lord between Harry Davies and Cliff, who entered the 90's before there was a declaration.

Then wickets tumbled and Gloucester were out for 170, but Gloucestershire, like Lancashire today and other Counties of recent weeks, did not enforce the follow-on. An improved batting display tomorrow could enable Gloucester to save the game, although they will face a formidable task.

Derbyshire, after their first innings collapse for less than a hundred, battled in different fashion today. They were still 31 behind but have six wickets in hand. Yorkshire's declaration was made possible by a stand of 121 between Yardley and Lester going on to 140 not out and Yardley 84 not out.

Look Like Winning

Nottinghamshire are struggling against Northamptonshire, but Essex look like winning their South-Eastern game with Sussex, mainly because some

WATER POLO

Eastern beat Chung Shing by eight goals to two in the Hong Kong Water Polo League last night at the Ritz swimming pool.

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Home Soccer-Prospects For The Coming Season

(By "ALBION")

Saturday next heralds the opening of the 1949-50 soccer season in England, although further North over the border, the Scotsmen embarked on their League Cup duels last week.

No doubt both the clubs and their supporters will have weighed up the prospects for the coming season—some with hopes that fortune might smile more sweetly upon them and others—those who had a successful outing last season—with an air of "well, what we did last season we can do again this." Come what may, let's hope the tradition of the game will be upheld by one and all.

In the Northern Division, Lincoln City, who found the pace too hot for them in Division II last season, are at home to Oldham and should have little difficulty in obtaining both points from this game.

Forecast for matches to be played on Saturday August 20:

Division I
BIRMINGHAM v. Chelsea
BLACKPOOL v. Huddersfield
BOLTON v. Stoke
DERBY v. Man. United
FULHAM v. Wolves
LIVERPOOL v. Sunderland
MAN. CITY v. Aston Villa
MIDDLESBROUGH v. Everton
NEWCASTLE v. Portsmouth
WEST BROM v. Charlton

Division II
BARNLEY v. Chesterfield
BLACKBURN v. Cardiff City
BRIGHTON v. Tottenham
COVENTRY v. SHEFFIELD U.
HULL v. BURY
LEEDS v. Queens P. R.
Luton v. WEST HAM
PLYMOUTH v. Bradford
SHEFFIELD W. v. Leicester
SOUTHAMPTON v. Grimsby
SWANSEA v. Preston N.E.

Division III (South)
BRIGHTON v. NOTTS. F.
BRISTOL C. v. Northampton
EXETER v. Crystal P.
IPSWICH v. Bourmouthe
LEWIS v. WATFORD
MILWAUKEE v. Torquay
NEWPORT v. Norwich
NOTTS C. v. Southend
PORT VALE v. Bristol R.
SWINDON v. Reading
WALSALL v. Aldershot

Division III (North)
BARROW v. York
BRADFORD v. DONCASTER
CARLISLE v. Accrington
CHESTER v. Stockport
CREW v. Tranmere
HALIFAX v. HARTLEPOOL
LINCOLN v. Oldham
NEW BRIGHTON v. Darlington
ROCHEDALE v. Gainshead
ROTHAM v. Wrexham
SOUTHPORT v. Mansfield

Rip Roaring Game
Division II offers three games of interest. The newly promoted Swansea Town will be at home to relegated Preston North End and this, too, should be a rip roaring game with, I should say, Swansea just in front at the finish. A record crowd can also be expected here.

Hull City, last year's Northern Section winners, entertain Bury and I think City will have to hustle to get both points from this game.

Sheffield United, the other underdog from League I, are away to Coventry and should record a win in their first Division II encounter.

Southampton, who so narrowly missed promotion last season, entertain Grimsby at the Dell and should take full points.

Notts Forest, who, perhaps, undeservedly descended from Division II last season, find themselves drawn away to Brighton for their first game in the lower sphere and should come away with at least a point.

The draws for the quarter-finals of the Colony Open Lawn Bowls Triples Championship, the third round of the Open Singles and the Semi-finals of the Open Rinks were made yesterday and resulted as follows. All Singles matches to commence not later than 5.30 p.m. and the Rinks and Triples at 4 p.m. sharp.

Open Triples
August 21, at HKFC
K.M. Omar, A.M. Omar and U.M. Omar v. R. Grindley, J.B. Joyce and J. McGuire.

Open Singles
August 22, at HKFC
J. Tan, L.C. Pereira, W. Battersby v. A.R. Kitchell, A.M. Omar and H.W. Bradbury.

Open Rinks Semi-Finals
August 23, at HKFC
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England All Out For 482, Another Draw Seen

London, August 16.

England continued their first innings in the Test match against New Zealand here this morning and were all out for 482 runs before lunch. At the interval, New Zealand had made 88 for two in their second innings.

A hot summer sun blazed down on Kennington Oval here for the third and final day of the last Test. The game was resumed with England leading by 87, with six wickets in hand.

Although the odds still seemed heavily on this Test ending like the previous three in a draw, the move of the England selectors in packing the side with so many spin bowlers might yet be successful.

As expected, Brown decided to continue the England innings and he called for the heavy roller in the hope of hastening any breaking up of the pitch that might develop.

There were about 10,000 present when the game began with six and a half hours left for play. Unfortunately for England, the policy of getting quick runs, they soon lost Brown, the man best suited to fast scoring. He propped Crosswell with his fifth successive wicket by lifting a catch to mid-off when mistiming a drive.

Evans joined Bailey with five wickets down for 430 and at once there came a flurry of sharp singles mixed with some hardy anchoring by Bailey. Well as Bailey batted, the wisdom of allowing him to expend his energy or batting and sharp running could be questioned.

This was a repetition of the last day at Manchester when after a big innings, Bailey bowled as though he was very tired.

The pair raised five for a square cut by Evans, another single and a three. In just over ten minutes, Evans bludgeoned 17 runs before lifting a catch to cover off Cowie, who thus broke Crosswell's sequence of wickets.

In a merry stand in which the total passed the previous highest by England in a Test against New Zealand, the sixth pair added 33. Laker came in and went in the same over from Cowie, but Bailey remained.

Besler and Bailey soon gave catches at the wicket off Cowie and when Crosswell got Wright leg-before, the innings closed for England at a total of 482. The last six wickets added 50. Today in three quarters of an hour and New Zealand began their second innings with just over five and a half hours left.

New Zealand started their second innings brightly with Sutcliffe making strokes from the first over. Laker Bailey wide of Brown.

After steering fine line, he posted the stroke off the last ball, but this time Brown got one hand to the chance as he flung himself across.

He failed to hold what would have been a miracle catch. Twenty-four runs had come in three overs when Scott nicked Besler and was taken by Evans behind the wicket.

Runs Come Freely
Bailey's direction was far from satisfactory and Besler looked much the better of England's opening attack. Still, on a pitch playing perfectly, runs came freely, and 50 went up in 40 minutes. At this point Brown, made his first bowling change, calling on Wright who nearly trapped Hadlee into giving a catch near the wicket off a googly.

Sutcliffe became more careful against the slow bowling, but he looked eminently safe. Just when the stand between him and Hadlee seemed likely to cause England a good deal of trouble, Hadlee met with a success which at once threw New Zealand on to the defensive.

Once again, Hadlee lost his wicket when batting confidently. He tried to cut a leg-break from Hadlee which was only a shade short of a length, hit under the stand between him and Hadlee, and sent it to slip, where Edrich took the catch smartly.

Wallace joined Sutcliffe with two men out for 68 and New Zealand still 69 behind, and they concentrated on keeping their wickets intact for the last 25 minutes before lunch. At the interval, New Zealand were 88 for two.

Did Not Last Long
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Evans and Bailey stayed to the end when England with six wickets to stand stood 87 ahead.

There could be no mistake about the purpose of the batsmen when the game was resumed after lunch. Both Hutton and Simpson began to attack right away and, shortly after the hundred went up, each had completed 50 in the same over from Burt, which cost 11 runs. This was the third successive test in which Hutton had figured in a century opening stand.

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Palmer Beats Demaret In Play-Off

Chicago, August 16.

Pudge Johnny Palmer riddled Jimmy Demaret with stellar approach shots and putts yesterday to win the 10-hole play off for first place in the "World Championship" golf tournament.

Palmer, lucky most of the day even though he had the right shots when he needed them turned in a 68, four under par. Demaret played a steady game for a 70.

The two players tied for first place on Sunday at the end of 72 holes with 13 under par 75. Yesterday Palmer made it 17 under for 60 holes. And while Demaret's 15 under was not good enough to stay in contention with the 31-year-old ace from Baden, North Carolina, it still pulled down record money of US\$9,000. The first prize was US\$10,000.

Palmer won the match with his short irons and that trusty putter which he used on the fringe of the green as well as on the putting surface. But he had his share of luck to go with these shots. Twice he had spectators around a green and his ball bounced out of trouble. Once he hit a tree but a lucky bounce put the ball on the fairway.

It was a smashing triumph for Palmer, a professional for seven years, who has been rated a player to watch for the past two seasons. He came close in the PGA championship this year, finishing as runner up to Sam Snead, but his rise yesterday was the richest in actual cash of any tournament on pro golf's wealthy tour and it marked Palmer as a threat from here on in any links battle.—United Press.

Hutton, in contrast, scored chonily by placed strokes in left for singles, together with an occasional drive ranging from mid-off to square on the offside.

New Zealand's first success was not brought about by anything sinister in the bowling, but rather because of Simpson's laudable attempt to keep the scoring moving freely. He swung round at a slightly over-pitched ball on the leg side and sent it straight to Donnelly at backward leg at 147.

Hutton, with Edrich as partner, continued to drive at every opportunity and he was especially severe on Burt, who went off at the end of his second spell with an analysis of no wickets for 40 runs in 13 overs, none of which were maidens.

Scoring Slows Down

The scoring rate then slowed down with the New Zealanders more alert in the field. Edrich began to play himself in quietly while Hutton became a little more subdued.

Edrich took a long time to settle down and with Hutton taking extra care during the 80's, scoring proceeded at a snail's pace, much to the annoyance of the crowd. Hutton, who reached 90 at more than a run a minute, went so cautiously through the 90's that he took a further 45 minutes to reach his century.

Immediately afterwards Hutton began to show his freedom of stroke play. He craved Covey through the cover for four and in Crosswell's following over opened his shoulders for a straight drive and a leg before.

Hutton finally fell to a well-judged catch on the edge of the straight boundary.

The second stand put on 210 in two hours and 35 minutes, and Hutton's innings had lasted five hours, his 208 out of 305, including 25 fives.

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